The YMCA of Central New York’s Writers Voice presents

THE YOUNG AUTHORS ACADEMY
presented by the Writers Voice

A creative writing program for 6th – 12th graders, featuring courses in:

Fiction
Poetry

For more information, or to register, please contact:
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WINTER 2024
Creative Writing Workshops for students grades 6-12

Saturdays | 10 weeks
January 20 – March 23, 2024
12:00pm - 2:00pm Eastern

FICTION & POETRY

YMCA OF CENTRAL NEW YORK
Arts & Education Branch
340 Montgomery Street, Syracuse, NY 13202
The Young Authors Academy is free to students in the Syracuse City School District and YMCA of Central New York family members (some restrictions do apply), $100 for nonmembers with discounts for members for the 10-week session (needs-based financial assistance may also be available). Registration is required to reserve space.

NOTE: In-person classes are accessible via Zoom.

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Name ____________________________

DOB ____________________________ Gender ____________________________

Address __________________________

City __________________ State _____ Zip ____________

School __________________________

District __________________ Grade ____

**PARENT INFORMATION**

Name ____________________________

Address __________________________

City __________________ State _____ Zip ____________

Email ____________________________

Phone/Home _____________________ Cell ____________________________

Emergency Contact __________________________

Phone ____________________________

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**COURSE SELECTION (Please Check One)**

Note: Students may try different genres from session to session, but are asked to choose one focus per session.

Saturdays | 10 weeks | 12:00pm – 2:00pm
Please select your preferred genre for this session, although there may be cross-genre instruction depending on enrollment:

______ Fiction
______ Poetry

**REGISTRATION FEES (Check One)**

______ SCSD Student: No Fee
______ YMCA of Central New York Member: No Fee
No fee for one family member currently taking Writers Voice courses. Use code DWCWinter24. Each YMCA of Central New York family membership is entitled to one free course per session.

______ National YMCA Members: $120
______ Non-Member: $160

Y Members can register online at ymcacny.org

All checks are payable to YMCA of Central New York

Credit Card Payments are accepted with phone registrations. Please call Georgia Popoff at (315) 474-6851 x380 to pay by credit/debit card.

**ABOUT THE YAA**

The YAA is for students grades 6-12 with a passion for creative writing & related arts. Small group instruction in the literary arts is provided weekly by professional writers who are also experienced in teaching middle and high school students.

YAA students experience a safe, accepting & positive learning environment where they grow both artistically and personally, developing their talents and collaborating with peers who share their interest in the creative arts.

The program has been generously funded to include Y members and students in the Syracuse City School District at no cost (some restrictions do apply). The Writers Voice, a program of the Arts and Education Branch of the YMCA, strives to keep the cost for all others affordable. Need-based financial aid is available.

Classes during this session are in-person at the Downtown Branch, and are simultaneously accessible to all participants via Zoom.

Students receiving scholarships through the SCSD or Y membership are required to attend regularly. Poor attendance may result in removal from the program and inability to register for future YAA programming.