



Tuesday, October 20, 2009

Session A

10:30am to 11:45am

Slam Poetry

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Journalism

Are you a Helen Thomas or Hunter S. Thompson wanna-be? Avoid being called a *chismoso* and learn how to write hard-news and feature stories.

Punctuation Nation!

Run-ons, fragments, comma-splices...Oh, no! Tired of red marks on your paper? Learn how to avoid them!

Planetarium Demonstrations (LIMITED SPACE: FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE)

10:30am & 11:00am-Mini clips of *Microcosm*, *Force 5*, *A Starry Night*, and *Stars of the Pharaohs* (15 min.)

11:30am-Mini clip of enTRANCED (10 min.)

Student Poetry and Play Performances

11:45am-12:00pm

Session B

12:00pm-1:15pm

To Be or Not To Be....A Play Writer

Become the modern Shakespeare...experience various aspects of the theatre: How to write and present a play, the elements of performance, and the use of writing props. A mini performance will also be done to help bring those elements together.

Haiku Writing Workshop

Haiku poems teach writers about the power of using the five senses, vivid description, sound devices, and conciseness. Because of the meditative, sometimes humorous, and short nature of haiku, haiku writing naturally elicits feelings of enjoyment, accomplishment, completion of a work from start to finish, and calm. Students will write and share their own haikus.

Resume Writing with Wordle

This workshop intends to prepare students to network, submit letters of interest, and interview. With the use of power points and Word, the presentation will focus on the use of "power words" and the different types and resumes and which is more appropriate towards a profession.

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12:30pm-Mini clip of enTRANCED (10 min.)

Student Rap Performances

1:15pm-1:30pm



Session C
1:30pm-2:45pm

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Microcuentos

Conducted in Spanish, this workshop will focus on writing very short, short-stories by developing characters and situations in as few words as possible. It is a "una microficción, un microcuento, un microminicuentocortito." A challenging feat!

The Art of Letter Writing

Solicitation and thank you letters are key forms of communication that enable individuals to get what they want when they want it. Students will learn the art of persuasion by applying learned techniques to their own letter writing.

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1:30pm & 2:00pm-Mini clips of *Microcosm*, *Force 5*, *A Starry Night*, and *Stars of the Pharaohs* (15 min.)

Performances
2:45pm-3:15pm

Slam Poetry Performance

Kenn Rodriguez: National Poetry Slam champion, award winning writer and journalist; youth educator for over 15 years. The current literary arts coordinator for Warehouse 508, a new youth space in Albuquerque, NM.

Manuel Gonzales: Two time member of the Albuquerque poetry slam team. Founding member of the performance troupe Angry Brown Poets. Featured performer on the "Colores" documentary "My Words are my Power." Has worked in numerous schools and youth detention centers for over eight years.

Jasmine Cuffee: Two time member of the Albuquerque poetry slam. Albuquerque City champion and youth champion. Has worked with youth of all ages for over eight years and began doing so while still a teenager. Staff member for the National Hispanic Cultural Center.

Session D
3:30pm-4:30pm
TAMIU WRITING CENTER (COWART 203)

GRE Tips and Tricks

GRE test takers will gain last minute tips and time management skills in preparation for the exam.

CAB Comedy Night (SC 236)
Slam Poetry Presentation
7:00 pm