

#TEENWRITERSPROJECT

LITERARY/SPOKEN WORD WORKSHOPS

#TeenWritersProject gives participants the space to be creative, imaginative, and free—while also equipping them with tools to disrupt generational poverty through storytelling. Their creative writing workshops give participants agency to write stories that reflect their lived experiences, with full autonomy over how those stories are told—whether through poetry, short stories, or screenplays.

Participants will engage with contemporary literature, music lyrics, visual art, and multimedia prompts from professional writers, artists of color, musicians, and cultural curators. These materials are selected to reflect the S.P.E.E.C.H. framework—addressing social, political, economic, environmental, cultural, and historical issues relevant to both past and present.

Participants are then encouraged to write freely and honestly about how these themes show up in their lives, communities, culture, identities, and social and emotional well-being. They leave each workshop with powerful pieces of writing that showcase their literary skill, reflection, and storytelling voice.

Participants ages 14-18