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YAWP offers spring, summer and winter school break
workshops in Creative Writing and Playwriting
for high school students!

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THE YOUNG AMERICAN WRITERS PROJECT

2012 High School Playwrights Performance



Six courageous, poignant and outrageous plays written by
and starring high school students from Bridgehampton, Eastport
South Manor, Sag Harbor's Pierson, Southampton and
Westhampton Beach

Saturday, December 8, 2012 7 PM

Avram Theater, Fine Arts Building

Stony Brook Southampton

Southampton, NY

THE YOUNG AMERICAN WRITERS PROJECT (YAWP)

Southampton Graduate Arts is proud to present the 4th annual Young American Writers Project's 2012 High School Playwrights Performance.

The goals of YAWP include:

- To enhance critical thinking, collaboration and communication skills.
- To help each student find and develop his or her unique voice and point of view.
- To use creative expression as a way to solve problems and promote global awareness.
- To advance 21st century skills while supporting ELA requirements.
- To expose students to the unique creative programs and resources of Southampton Graduate Arts, including the annual Writers Conference.
- To provide community outreach for Southampton Graduate Arts
- To develop and support the next generation of writers and readers.

The YAWP programs send professional writers and writing teachers into middle and high schools across Long Island with a variety of innovative, interdisciplinary writing programs that reflect Southampton Graduate Arts' MFA in Creative Writing and Literature, including playwriting, personal essay, poetry, screenwriting and fiction. Programs conclude with special projects and presentations, as well as potential publication in the YAWP Ezine (www.yawpezine.com).

Workshops are offered in schools across Suffolk County in 1, 3 and 7-session formats, as well as in two-month residencies, extended retreats and summer workshops.

The Young American Writers Project provides Southampton Graduate Arts and the MFA in Creative Writing and Literature Program with important community outreach, helps shape the next generation of American writers and provides a teaching practicum for the MFA's graduate students.

YAWP PLAYWRITING

The YAWP Playwriting Program is a two-month school residency that introduces students to the principles of dramatic writing. It is also held as a separate five-day retreat program. Teaching artists guide students through a curriculum inspired by Aristotle's Poetics, exploring the elements of dramatic writing and assisting each student in the discovery of his or her unique perspective and creative voice.

Every student who participates in the program completes a one-act play. One play from each participating class is selected by committee for professional staging at Avram Theater, Stony Brook Southampton. Students then audition to perform in, assistant direct or stage manage the plays under the mentorship of the YAWP staff and professional theatre artists for two public performances.

PIERSON participating students, cont.

Justin Meinken
Paula Poke

Joseph North
Kristian Wawshburn

Dana Poke

SOUTHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

Classroom Teacher: Vincent Zangrillo

Principal: Dr. Brian Zahn

Superintendent: Dr. J. Richard Boyes

YAWP Teaching Artists: Chris Cascio and Travis Rave

Participating Students:

Dom Arresta	Sandra Campohermoso	Ricky Caviness
Joana Hernandez	Ashli Hicks	Dan Kaufman
Bryce Kryenski	Jourdan Marshall	Elouise Miny
Caleb Muller	Kelsey Pace	Kate Pappas
Jake Powers	Clayton Prewitt	Jamari Riddick
Kevin Rodriguez	Mark Simpson	Jon Stachecki

WESTHAMPTON BEACH HIGH SCHOOL

Classroom Teacher: Glenn Dorskind

Principal: Christopher Herr

Superintendent: Michael R. Radday

YAWP Teaching Artists: Will Chandler and Travis Rave

Participating Students:

Timothy Coggins	Shala Franciosa	Ellen Griffin
Daniel Irving	Samuel Kapust	Sydney Marks
Erin Perrier	Rachel Rienecker	Sarah Ryder
Jeremy Schwartz	Henry Seeliger	Lauren Volz

YAWP SUMMER SCRIPTWRITING WORKSHOP

Stony Brook Southampton Campus – July 2012

YAWP Teaching Artists: Will Chandler and Victor Giannini

Participating Students:

Andreas Esposito	Elisia Ivey	Alex LaPierre
Chela Novak	Chance Sevigny	Kendall Stark
William Stieglitz	Fabienne Tarrant	

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

BRIDGEHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

Classroom Teacher: Lenore Wright
Principal: John L. Pryor
Superintendent: Dr. Lois R. Favre
YAWP Teaching Artists: Victor Giannini and Matthew Miranda

Participating Students:

Samantha Broadmeadow	Vanesa Cruz	Christian Figueroa
Alvaro Garcia	Jason Hopson	Jacob Hostetter
Joshua Hostetter	Bryan Minchala	Aditya Nugraha
Erick Saldivar		

EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Classroom Teacher: Toni Caracci
Principal: Joseph A. Steimel
Superintendent: Mark A. Nocero
YAWP Teaching Artist: Will Chandler

Participating Students:

Thomas Brey	Scott Cavallo	Joe Colasuonno
Jen Dallego	Taylor DeNaro	Jenna DiBlanda
Darci Ellis	Devin Gianfalla	Megan Hennessy
James Himmelmann	Perry Ladouceur	Caitlin McCarthy
Jennifer Navarrete	Emily Negron	Jordan Pfluke
Patience Reilly	Brian Rocha	Samantha Rodriguez
Shelby Rosen	Alexandra Stanco	Brittany Tesoriero
Daniella Torrillo	Michael Vultaggio	

PIERSON HIGH SCHOOL

Classroom Teacher: Gary Schulman
Principal: Jeff Nichols
Superintendent: Dr. Carl A. Bonuso
YAWP Teaching Artists: Chris Cascio and Faith Leslie

Participating Students:

Cody Abt	Katherine Coronado	Nell Dobbs
Lexi Fedi	James Froehlich	Casey Grubb
Madeleine Haring	Chloe Hirtenstein	Eric Koons

STAFF

SOUTHAMPTON GRADUATE ARTS OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

Robert Reeves, Associate Provost
Carla Caglioti, Executive Director & Assistant Dean

YAWP PRODUCTION STAFF

Director – Emma Walton Hamilton
Associate Director - Will Chandler
Producer - William Burford
Production Stage Manager - Sarah Azzara
Costumes and Props - Yuka Silvera
Lighting and Sound - Peter Eilenberg
Production Assistant - James Allen
Backstage Assistants - Danielle Bewrg, Victor Giannini

Production Running Crew

Cody Abt	James Allen	Alison Cappabianca
Jennifer Dallego	Casey Grubb	

YAWP PROGRAMMATIC STAFF

Executive Director – Emma Walton Hamilton
Program Director - Will Chandler
Administrative Associate - Diana Gallagher
Playwriting – Will Chandler & Emma Walton Hamilton
Screenwriting – Annette Handley Chandler
Fiction & Personal Essay – Lou Ann Walker
Poetry – Julie Sheehan
MFA Administrative Coordinator - Adrienne Unger

2012 HS Playwriting Program Teaching Artists

Christopher Cascio	Will Chandler	Faith Leslie
Victor Giannini	Matthew Miranda	Travis Rave

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ACT 1

THE ESSAY

By James Himmelmann

EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Directed by AJ Lebenns

Mike.....Perry Ladouceur
McKayla.....Daniella Torrillo
Mrs. Ashfield (voice).....Morgan Vaughan
Mr. Ashfield (voice).....Tristan Vaughan

WAITING FOR PHONE CALLS

By Casey Grubb

PIERSON HIGH SCHOOL, Sag Harbor

Directed by Tristan Vaughan

Jane..... Emily Selynkova
Peter..... Denis Hartnett
Assistant Director – Cody Abt

BUSINESS AS USUAL

By William Stieglitz

WARD MELVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
(YAWP Summer Workshop)

Directed by Andrew Botsford

Woman.....Emily Negrón
John Stanley.....Brian Rocha
Assistant Director: Jennifer Dallego

(Acting company from Eastport South Manor School)

ACT 2

A LITTLE FILLING

By Jeremy Schwartz

WESTHAMPTON BEACH HIGH SCHOOL

Directed by Rosemary Cline

Bagel.....Lorenzo Rodriguez
Bialy.....Courtney King
Assistant Directors - Alison Cappabianco, Raj Ghayalod

Bagel/Bialy costumes made by Westhampton Beach students

CUTTING DEEPER

By Samantha Broadmeadow

BRIDGEHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

Directed by Morgan Vaughan

Veronyka.....Jennah Hochstedler
Missy..... India Hemby
Assistant Director - Hayley Lund

NAUGHTY OR NICE

By Bryce Krzenski

SOUTHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

Directed by Jacqui Leader

Chris.....Toby Zheng
Nick.....Sean Noonan
Assistant Director – Amanda Taylor

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