



29th Annual



Write for NYC. Improve your writing. Express your thoughts and opinions. Find out what's going on in the city. Be a voice for New York teens.



SUMMER WRITING WORKSHOP

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGES 15-20

June 30 - August 8, 2008

Noon - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday.

Learn interviewing, research and writing skills. Work with experienced adult editors.

Our summer workshop is demanding. No prior journalism experience is required, but you must be willing to commit yourself to a rigorous schedule. We will meet Monday through Friday for six weeks. You will be shown how to create personal narratives, spend time "on the street" as a reporter and learn public speaking skills.



To print an application visit us on the web at: WWW.YOUTHCOMM.ORG

or call:

212-279-0708 ext. 103

If you leave a message, speak clearly and slowly. Leave your full name, phone number, address, apartment #, borough and zip code.



The workshop is free because we cover the \$800 cost for each participant.

NYC Summer Writing Workshop, 224 West 29th Street—2nd floor, New York, NY 10001

DEADLINE FOR COMPLETED APPLICATIONS IS MAY 16, 2008



Application for the 29th Annual *New Youth Connections*
Summer Writing Workshop

New Youth Connections is a teen-written magazine published seven times during the school year. It is distributed in public high schools, libraries and youth centers in the city, and has a readership of approximately 250,000. To apply for our Summer Writing Workshop, please fill out this form and mail it to the address at the bottom of this column.

Dates and Times: The workshop runs Monday to Friday from June 30th through August 8th. The hours are from noon to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. You must be able to attend every day.

Cost: This application form is also the application for a scholarship to the workshop. If you are selected, you will be awarded a complete scholarship to cover the entire \$800 cost of the workshop. You will not have to pay anything.

Facilities: The workshop will be taught at the office of Youth Communication in Manhattan. The office is easily accessible by most major subway lines. There will be a maximum of 10 students in the workshop.

Staff: The workshop will be taught by the editors of *New Youth Connections*. They have substantial experience working in journalism and working with young people.

Eligibility: High school juniors (who are going into their senior year in September) will be given priority, but we encourage anyone ages 15-20 to apply. We're interested in your writing ability, but when we judge your essays we will also look for your knowledge and enthusiasm. NYC's most important job is conveying important information to teens in an interesting way.

History: This is the 29th year we have run the workshop. Our "graduates" are studying in the nation's finest colleges and have earned writing internships at major magazines and newspapers.

DEADLINE
The deadline is May 16
 We will notify you by May 27th

Mail to: NYC Summer Journalism Workshop
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212-279-0708 • 212-279-8856 (fax)

Today's Date _____ **Your age** _____

Name _____

Address _____ **Apt.** _____

City _____ **Zip** _____

School _____ **Grade** _____

Phone (____) _____ **Date of Birth** _____

E-mail _____ @ _____

Race/ethnicity (check all that apply)

____ Black ____ Latino ____ White ____ Asian
 ____ Other _____

Where did you hear about the workshop?
 (e.g., teacher, ad in NYC, etc.)

On a separate piece of paper, answer **all** of the following questions, and attach to this application. **Please be thorough, but try to keep each answer to one page. Do not write more than two pages on each answer. Print neatly or type.**

1) Why do you want to write for NYC this summer? What personal strengths or interests can you bring to the publication? What do you hope to gain from the experience?

2) College: Based on what you've heard about college, what do you think will be the biggest challenge for you when you get there? Why?

Or, If you've decided not to go to college, explain why and how you made this decision.

3) Describe a change that you've been through? How has it affected who you are as a person?

Questions?: Call 212-279-0708, extension 103. (If you call with a rotary phone, hang on until someone answers.) If you have to leave a message, speak clearly and slowly, and leave your name and number. You and/or your parents are welcome to visit our offices before or after you apply.