

Writers in Residence

I DREAM
I'm free



CWRU & JCU Cohort
Spring 2023

FOR the 49,000 juveniles
confined in detention centers in the US.

For **THE** 2,000 youth
confined in juvenile facilities in Ohio.

For the **WRITERS**
in residence this spring.

Many feel invisible,
voiceless, **AND** misunderstood.

May **THEIR** creative **WRITING** rewrite
the preexisting narrative
and **FREE** their voices from incarceration.

And for those no longer with us
but remain in **OUR HEARTS AND MINDS.**

This is **FOR THEM.**

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VISION & MISSION VALUES

We strive to reduce the recidivism rates of our residents and participate in the transformation of the juvenile justice system.

teach.

WE TEACH CREATIVE WRITING
TO YOUTH WHO ARE INCARCERATED.

empower.

WE EMPOWER
OUR RESIDENTS' VOICES.

assist.

WE ASSIST
IN THEIR RE-ENTRY.

JUSTICE

We believe in creating an environment where justice becomes visible, where restoration from wrong is possible, where people are seen as more than their worst moments, where people can create a future not doomed to repeat the past.

EMPOWERMENT

We believe that our residents can build their self-esteem, resilience, and power through working on their writing, their reflection, their communication, through the creative writing workshop experience.

RELATIONSHIP

We believe in fostering genuine, strong, and long-lasting relationships as well as walking with our residents as they navigate the path to re-entry.

DIGNITY

We believe that our residents deserve to discover and recognize their own dignity and self-worth through our creative writing workshops. We also believe that if we respect ourselves, our residents, and our student volunteers then we successfully lead by example.

COMMUNITY

We believe in the power of community. We continually welcome and accept our residents into our communities to promote individuality and empowerment, especially upon re-entry. We also believe in the creation of a collaborative atmosphere that amplifies all voices together in a spirit of mutuality and kindness.



SCHOOLS & FACILITIES

ACTIVE (SCHOOLS)

1. Case Western Reserve and John Carroll Universities
2. Oberlin College
3. Hiram College
4. Heidelberg Univ.
5. Baldwin Wallace Univ.

ACTIVE (FACILITIES)

- 1a. Cuyahoga County JDC
- 2b. Lorain County JDH
- 3c. Portage-Geauga County JDC
- 4d. Seneca County YC
- 5e. Medina County JDC

INACTIVE (SCHOOLS)

- Bowling Green State Univ.
- Capital Univ.
- Cleveland State Univ.
- College of Wooster
- Marietta College
- Ohio Univ.
- The Ohio State Univ.
- Univ. of Toledo

INACTIVE (FACILITIES)

- Circleville JCF
- Cuyahoga Hills JCF
- Franklin County JDC
- Hocking Valley CC
- Indian River JCF
- Lucas County JDC
- Washington County JC
- Wood County JDC

IMPACT

We compiled these creative writing artifacts and designed this chapbook through April of 2023 to ensure its delivery at the final workshop rested in the hands of every resident published inside. As a result, the outputs reported only reflect a fraction of this cohort's and the organization's net impact from this spring program season. We survey our residents before and after each creative writing workshop to understand our outcomes. These surveys give us quantitative and qualitative data so we can maintain a high-quality program experience.

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FOREWORD

Dear reader,

At the intersection of the arts, higher education, and the justice system, sits Writers in Residence, the only nonprofit in Ohio dedicated to creating space and time for youth in detention to reflect on their lives and express their feelings through poetry and prose during Creative Writing Workshops (CWWs). This original idea continues to anchor and propel us forward since our first pilot CWW in 2016 at the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Detention Center with the support of the Carroll Ballers.

We facilitate our weekly, in-person, or remote CWWs in the spring and fall seasons for 10-15 youth inside juvenile facilities. Every workshop lasts for 3 months and each session runs for 1-1.5 hours. We contract local teaching artists to educate our residents on different writing techniques, texts, and themes from authors that identify as BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, or Midwestern with a preference for Ohioians. We involve 5-10 undergraduate volunteers from the nearby college or university to participate alongside the residents as writers in the same experience.



Our CWWs accomplish these primary goals:

- Increase our residents' literacy levels and writing dispositions
- Build our residents' self-esteem, self-efficacy, and self-awareness
- Provide our residents with positive peer mentorship
- Publish our residents' creative writing into chapbooks to showcase and distribute within juvenile facilities, on campuses, and throughout the local communities
- Advocate for our residents by raising awareness and educating our communities about the justice system

Although our purpose, history, program model, and goals remain clear, the implementation of our CWWs for our youth persists with limitations and variables. Take, for example, the short amount of time in which our residents have to write, leaving few opportunities for revisions. The youth's creative writing artifacts that we publish exist unfinished oftentimes even though they would take advantage of the chance to edit their work if provided, especially as first-time writers. Finally, the juvenile facilities that we partner with operate in rural and urban communities, under strict and lenient supervision, and with staff shortages to name a few variables that affect our CWWs.

By overcoming these constraints and factors, we still empower our residents' voices. And for those reasons, I'm proud to present this chapbook: proof that freedom is possible and necessary.

Zachary Thomas
Executive Director

LETTER FROM THE COHORT

Dear reader,

We participated in a creative writing workshop with the residents published in this chapbook, and it was a privileged experience that transformed everyone.

For example, we witnessed the residents' excitement for their futures and their willingness to share their aspirations with us every week. Despite facing many challenges, they showed incredible courage by opening up about their lives with us, and we were humbled by their resilience. The community that we created was unlike any other. We formed unique connections with the residents, and through our conversations, we learned about their goals, interests, and future job ideals. We laughed together, told stories, and even bonded over pop culture references like "Attack on Titan." A few of the residents gave us nicknames and told us that they would never forget us. Their candid conversations and trust in telling their stories with us is something we will always cherish. These moments made this experience truly meaningful and deepened our understanding of the residents as people.

The work in this chapbook reflects the residents' experiences, their journeys, and their hopes ahead as well as who the residents were, who they are now, and who they hope to be. The residents put a lot of thought and effort into their writing. Each piece was created with intention and truth, and even though some residents weren't as enthusiastic about writing as others, they all contributed to our discussions and wrote to the best of their ability. Some of the artifacts are raw and serious, and it's important for readers to enjoy them with an open mind, as each resident had different approaches to the prompts. We urge readers to read this chapbook with respect and empathy, as they offer glimpses into the residents' lives and perspectives.

These young men possess an unwavering desire to make a positive impact on the world. They expressed their ambitions and dreams to share their gifts and contribute to making the world a better place. They are a testament to the perseverance of the human spirit and inspired us as a result. We want readers to realize that these residents are just like you, just like your friends, and just like your children. They are human beings with unique stories, endeavors, and potential. They deserve empathy, understanding, and a chance to be seen beyond their circumstances.

We remain grateful for the moments we had with the residents and what we learned from them. Whenever we felt run down, the residents found ways to lift us up, despite their own struggles. They always came with a positive attitude. Their stories of overcoming hardships touched our hearts and gave us strength. We are immensely grateful for their trust in sharing their stories with us, and we carry their words with us as we continue on our own journeys.

To the residents, thank you for your courage and vulnerability in sharing your stories. To the juvenile facility staff, thank you for your support and collaboration. To the student volunteers, thank you for your dedication and commitment to this cohort and experience. To the teaching artist, thank you for your leadership and inspiration at every session. And to you, our readers, thank you for joining us on this journey and appreciating the power of the arts. We hope these artifacts touch your heart and offer a glimpse into the lives and experiences of these young men.

CWRU & JCU Cohort

untitled

My fear is losing someone while im in here and not being able to help everyone I care about I doubt that everyone looks at me like a Role model but thats how I look at myself.

Even though I feel like Im not worth anything now, I belong here because I have people who think I'm gold in their life.

T.J.²

untitled

Dear future CH, hopefully your out of jail, I hope you own an apartment complex and every unit is rented out. I hope I have 6K invested each year.

Dear future generations, enjoy being young cause when you get older your not gonna have time to enjoy things as much. Appreciate gifts. learn as much as possible the more you know the less you have to depend on someone else.

C.H.¹

untitled

Dear future generation,

Enjoy being a kid while you can because once your grown you will be thinking like I wish I was still a kid because you get older life a hit you very fast if you havent matured yet, Enjoy as much time with your family because you will never know what might happen the next day because tomorrow not promised to anyone. Another thing I would say is further your education because you can do so many things with your life only if you put your mind to it. One more thing is think before you always react to something because everything doesn't deserve a reaction.

Sincerely,
SW¹

- Stay out of trouble and think about your actions before you do something
- You can look out for other people but always look out for yourself first
- Something I accomplished was finishing highschool and now Im going to college

S.W.¹

untitled

Even though I feel like Im trapped in a maze
I belong because I'm a strong human being thats ready to
take on the world.

L.B.

untitled

If I was an NBA Player
Then it doesn't matter which path you chose
If I was a little bigger I would play for
If I start rapping
I can hear the voices of him when I close my eyes
Don't be afraid to make yourself happy
Be yourself not nobody else
If you want some money
I feel as free as bird w/o wings
What matters now is the future

S.W.¹

untitled

If I was a dog
Then I would be happy to do whatever

the visions of the past are like reminders
Then I would be strongest man in the world
Then I felt the waves crash against my feet
if I was home what wud I do

M.E.

untitled

Then they set me free
Just take one step at a time
then the gears start turning
Then the car starts moving

Then there was a boy who cried 12!
if its meant to be it'll be.

C.H.²

untitled

If you see the bumpy road in my life would you stay
Stay in some lane in order to get your fame
Then I made a million dollars
The sky is a papercup with holes punched in
heavy rain from the sky is like music to your ears
Rose from my sleep, I was ready to feast

D.M.

untitled

If I come home in 2 years
Then Im scared of Sunday afternoons
love yourself for who you are
If I was a fish I would be a shark
But If you play Ima crash
And you have to stay away from the ghosts of t. Past
Just do your best & you can't go wrong
You cant see me im invisible buddy
If you want to eat
And I thank you for your audience

C.P.

untitled

- Put yourself first
- Believe in yourself
- Set your standards high
- Make sure you always got sum money
- Do not trust people

Ma Im so sorry this the lifestyle I chose
locked in that cell I won't bend/break or fold
you know Im a gangsta I stay on 10 toes
locked up for a Body I pray I come home.
When I get out Ima sing you this song

L.B.

untitled

Then I was free like a bird in the sky
Then maybe the sadness would leave him alone
But you would have to worry about the bag thing
Youll have a nosebleed sittin up in the nosebleeds
Then Life was great
I'm at the door, but it's locked.

J.L.W.

untitled

If I was a superhero youll know who I'll be
if you can't walk
but you can't hear a digital clock ticking
Then you won't know when the time is up,

Then I took off like a rocket
Don't worry, just keeping taking one step each day

When all else fails

T.J.²

untitled

Love: Never Love Nobody It A Game
Questions: If I Need Help Owl Ask
Advice: I Get Good Avice from People

M.A.

untitled

If life was harmless
then the cars will roll quietly down the street
If their was powers I would read peoples mind

Then the sun disappeared behind the clouds

And I'll float like a redbird near the grave.

T.J.¹

untitled

Work hard, don't hard work
A dad is not a father
I will be an successful entrepreneur
Pain come first and then love

S.W.²

love and pain

Life: I'm not mad, but always angry. I'm happy, but sad, crazy, but not all the time.

Love: Love comes first then pain, love always is something that brings pain.

Food: I will be someone who can cook anything. Food always fills you up until you're hungry.

Advice: Everything you see is not real.

Questions: Does pain come first or love, is you living to die our experience

D.W.

advice from the real

Live: I will Be A good Dad

Love: I unconDition To Love my KiD

fooD: I Love To cook some food

Advice: I got good Advice for people

T.R.

real spill

Good kid, bad crowd, bad things.

Love strong, happy life, great wife.

I will always have your back.

Will you always be there bro?

Always eat, always sleep, wake repeat.

Live life, never fight, always right.

Life is a test, always pass.

T.A.

untitled

Life: Never, trust, a friend, too, hard,

Love: it, is , Either, love, or, hate,

Food: 3, meals, a day, is, enough,

Advice: don't, make, the, same, mistake, twice

Questions: What, is, the, reason, for Life

C.V.

untitled

Freedom
Reality
Everyday
Everyone
Determine
Obstacles
Money

S.W.²

i'm in a car

I'm in a car
on a drive
having fun
listening to music
going down the road
with the wind in my face

C.V.

untitled

Always practice learning from your mistakes.
My family, my dogs, my friends.
Eating popcorn watching TV relaxing.
Blood is thicker than water always.
Are there life forms in space?
I will be a mechanical engineer.

G.O.

fake world

I'm floating around like I'm in space,
head spinning around like it's OK, touching
the stars and feeling OK, love being in space,
I'm having a good day.

D.W.

adrenaline

I'm gliding through the air like a rollercoaster
soaring in the wind like a bat in the night
as I drop down the slope I'm in fear
of the sight!

G.O.

by myself

Playing basketball in space going to be crazy.
If I jump, I will be high
and possibly somewhere else.
I can see me
somewhere jumping off da shelf
by myself
with nobody else.

M.A.

untitled

I'm Flying
Like A Bird.
Flipping Like a Gymnast.
Talking Like a Parrot.
Hiding From Aliens.
Throwing Shots like Curry.

R.B.

living life

My friends are a lil crazy but they are fun.
They also like to travel to places like Detroit and places
like water parks and carnival parks. One time we were
there we got into a fight with some older people but it all
ended well. We also go to a lot of parties and have fun with
the females and have some crazy experiences. My father
and I also have some crazy days and some fun times.

D.W.

angel wings

Life for me ain't been no crystal stair it's had its ups
and downs but I work through my depression and
overcame drug addiction, I survived a psychotic episode,
I was
cold then I was in the dark then walked into sunlight
I recognized the fake people, then I maintained the
loneliness
after that I was stiff. Next, I was flexible, motivation gave me
fitness, pushed me forward demons tried to lower me,
but then I got stronger
I won't let the demons last any longer,
I was left in the corner,
but then family came closer

T.S.

friendly baseball game

One summer me my brother and my friend went
to play baseball and we were finally starting to have fun
and get competitive until it was my brothers turn to bat
and I ran onto the field to catch the ball and my friend
pitched the ball to my brother and I tried to catch the
ball, but my brother hit the ball with too much force that
when I caught the ball the force snapped my bone in
my index finger and we drove home. I was nervous not
knowing what my mom was gonna do. I finally made it
home. I asked her to take me to the hospital, but to save
money she decided to wrap it up herself, and I trusted
her to wrap it cause she always wraps up every thing that
happen to me, and she told me to stop playing baseball,
and ever since that day I decided to stop playing and focus
on basketball and school. As I spent more time playing
basketball, I spent more time enjoying and getting better.
Soon after I joined the basketball team, so did my brother
and the first season we lost more games than we won but
that ain't stop us in the second season because we ended
up making it to the championship and won the champi-
onship in middle school twice back to back. And I kept
playing but after my brother graduated, I decided to take
a break from basketball and finish school. My brother and
I do everything together.

G.O.

my trip to alabama

One day my parents told me i could go to alabama to see my grand mother for a while, so i called up 3 of my friends up and and we all got in the car and headed there in a hurry. One thing that stayed on my mind was how much fun i was going to have when we got there. When we did my grandmother was so excited to see me, she hugged me so tight and i was happy to see her too. She cooked the best meal i ever had and i realized why i missed her so much. The next day i had so much fun.

A.A.

something

Life for me ain't been no crystal stair more like a dare living life in a constant scare life is hard it's not fair but be strong and you will get there living life that's all that's there

D.W.

untitled

Life for me ain't been good so I dream when I get out I get to explore more I wanna go to school to be something to help the world, I wanna own my own business I wanna be an inspiration to the world. I dream I'm free.

C.V.

untitled

Life for me ain't been no crystal stair. It's been rough but it will be better I been through a lot and it's tough, but I will make a way because I'm a diamond in the rough I know life been hard but it's good I'm strong enough getting through life going through stuff getting better every day that's no bluff

T.A.

mother to son (remix)

Life for me aint no crystal stair, times tangle
Like nappy hair, think about life jus start to stare
Provide for my mother as she provided for me like a baby
cub and his mother bear, and pass it on in life because
i care... snap... snap... snap

A.A.

untitled

Life for me ain't been no crystal stair, I look up and
smell the hostility
in the air. The walls are white; the lights are bright, trying
to
give up but I have to fight. The night is cold. My mind is
gone, just stay to yourself, get in your zone.

Life for me ain't been no crystal stair, I look up and smell
the hostility in the air.
The walls are white; the lights are bright. I look around
no one's my height.

D.S.W.

buy mom's house

Life has plenty ups and downs
but through the hard time I still
keep calm and set my life and
goals on graduating high school
and college and get my
engineering degree and
make my mother proud.
Soon after I graduate, I will
find a good paying job and
start to save up after a few
years of saving up I finally
made and saved up enough
money to buy my mom
a house and she will no
longer worry about rent
or bills she can live with less problems.
And maybe
one day I
might be able
to buy her
the car she
always dreamed
of having

G.O.

untitled

I want to be in college and then go to the NBA
After that I want a family
and be rich, I want my life to feel like
gold, like shining

M.A.

hustle

Life for me ain't been no crystal stair
My dad locked up, he wasn't there
I would see my mom struggle it was
hard to stare, stopped caring about school
I aint have a care, started hustling for
my own I ain't ask for a hair
Came up selling something that wasn't rare
Life for me ain't been no crystal stair
Kept the same mindset like a bear
Gotta stay ten toes, can't fall to despair

Anonymous

the street life

Life for me ain't been no crystal stair
It been hard for me because I dropped out of
school in the sixth grade and I been on the street
when I was 14. I had to get my own stuff and keep going
and
I got shot when I was 16 and I still never gave
up.

T.R.

macho

Yeah, I'm a goat you already know
riding in a foreign whip me and my bro
Riding with a foreign chick she go where I go
Doing what I do knowing what I know
On the road going from the D to Chicago
I'm knowing I'm the man got me feeling macho.

T.A.

to you

Baby girl I love you,
And I need you,
And I never ever wanna leave you,
Just let me be beside you,
Ima ride with you

Anonymous

conversation with n

Look at N cause i'm bout to start Rapping
i say im da goat but she thought i was cappin
Ugh you kno how dis game gone go
it's about the word play gotta switch up the flow
Yeah out all night ain't been home
ride by myself i been all on my own
Phone DnD ain't no callin by phone
hop in the stu den get right in my zone
too much discipline mamma say watch yo tone
he talkin crazy I knocked the ice cream off his cone

A.A.

untitled

Trying to get out this place and make some cake
I'm sick of all these people being fake about to
get out this place and go out of state I
need to get out of here for god sake
I'm trying to get out and make my mom proud

L.H.

something

I can turn invisible fly and walk
on the moon
I'm flying through the sky day to
night
Living life flying around like a kite

D.W.

thoughts

Thinking in my cell
about how I got in Jail
can never be no snitch,
nah I can't tell
wishing I could get a bail
to many snakes in here
I can't let off my tears
can't let my guard down
this place is upside down

Anonymous

untitled

I know I got a plan I
Can be the man i know
I can.

C.V.

untitled

Today I start school, but my first class
is english. I hate english so much because it asks
dumb questions. Like what is the fish from?
Is water wet? What is a difference from a
duck & a chicken? I get so aggravated just
cause they ask stupid questions. But I do the
work just so I can get my high school diploma.

A.J.R.

untitled

If I had superpowers
Then I will dance in the street
Otherwise I would cry myself to sleep!
If I was famous
Then I would finally be taken seriously
Otherwise let me scream at the top of my lungs!
If I'm strong
Then I would order as much pizza as I can handle
Otherwise I'm not really trippin,
Now I'm superman

L.H.

untitled

Once upon a time there was an ugly duck
This is fun when I'm done I'm making a song
FR33 me and bbA Tae
That's where my demons hide
And they smelled like beef
Who stole the krabby patties?
Watch out its a flying cow
We don't talk anymore
Slay, queen
Catch me if you can

G.O. and T.A.

without you

N fell out of her chair
"Ouch!" he cried, stubbing his toe on the massive boulder.
Never trust anyone who doesn't accept your cookies
And it's crazy because
Without you
Something became very fishy about the circumstance.
No matter how hard you try, Teletubbies still exist
Never work out,
And it all ended happily ever after

A.A. and G.G.

untitled

Then I walked home then i said
But none of it matters anyway
If only up was down and down was up,
Then my dad brought a new dog
But I'll never give up
If Santa Clause could fly without his sleigh
Then I went home
Otherwise I won't fit in there
If we could all just get along,
Then the day was over with.

A.J.R.

untitled

The pigs fly at the crack of dawn
And he liked to eat bananas
Dragons are real. Life is hard.
Stars are like diamond in the night
I miss the wind, the sand, the sea salt spray of the waves
Skittles taste the rainbow
October is the best month Libras are the best here's why
Basketball is fun but I don't like to run

G.O. and T.A.

untitled

Michael Jackson's glove is made out of diamonds
Spotify is better than Apple Music
Music helps me sleep
Is a hype god
One of these days i'm going to become a rapper
I love rock and roll
I'm like capping rappers
Taylor Swift fan base is terrifying
My grandma listens to Anne Marrie.
Anuel AA is the best Spanish rapper.

A.J.R. and J.N.

just because

Human beings are actually cats here's why:
i might go crazy
N wouldn't be alone if...
The computer screen went black. It erased the
One direction is the best boyband. Here's why:
They smell soo good
And then she was gone,
The beach was hot. It left sand EVERYWHERE!
I like the feeling of wet grass on my toes
But anyway she got what im trying to say

A.A. and G.G.

what if?

if i were to go home
then go away
Otherwise i would need help cleaning the fridge
if Taco Bell ceased to exist
Then there would be world hunger
Otherwise i dont really care,
if everyone liked vegetables
then I'll win 10 cheesy gourdida crunches
Otherwise i might not make it out the neiborhood

A.A. and G.G.

untitled

Money make the world go around, love make yo life
better
The clown never frown till town
Sparkling shimmers of starlight above me
Silly rabbits, tricks are for kids
I'm nice. She's nice. She's pretty. Next.
Cat bat sat relax
The duck fell out of the sky and into the pot.
Where dreams come true

G.O. and T.A.

untitled

Filling the blank with words

The sun sets so beautifully it looks hand painted

If I was 3000 pounds

If the sky was pink

I wish I were 10 feet tall

The world seems so big. Or so small?

If humans were immortal

If queens was kings and kings were queens

I am the fool in this game

School is just a game.

D.W. and D.S.W.

At Writers in Residence, we intend to support our youth from the moment we meet them. As they explore their voice in our CWWs, we also assist them while they prepare for their reentry process.

We launched the Reentry Mentorship Initiative (RMI) in 2022 to help our residents create personal goals, develop valuable life skills, and continue to build their self-esteem. Throughout the 12 weeks of the CWWs, we inform our youth about the RMI, emphasizing that they have the opportunity to engage with an adult mentor from their home community. For residents who express an interest, we coordinate with the juvenile facilities to contact their guardians and then connect them with a mentor.

The youth and their guardians create target goals to pursue over 12-18 months. Then, our mentors work directly with their mentees to build relationships and develop life skills. We have helped residents with school work, acquiring GEDs, practicing driving, applying for and securing jobs, continuing their exploration of writing, and persevering through the challenges of reentry. We believe that a mentor consistently shows up for our residents, walks alongside them, and empowers them to reach goals they want to achieve, and to help them feel confident throughout their reentry process.

GOALS:

- Provide our mentees with positive peer mentorship to cultivate their trust in others and themselves.
- Build our mentees' self-esteem, self-efficacy, and self-awareness.
- Facilitate the design and implementation of our mentees' reentry care plan that details SMART goals for them to be successful.
- Connect our mentees to local social services and community resources including education, employment, housing, transportation, food security, and physical and mental health support systems.
- Create a safe and confidential atmosphere for our mentees to grow and learn alongside their mentor.

To our readers, the stories that appear in this chapbook from our residents are powerful, and as they continue to grow and head back home, those stories don't end. We are always looking for adult volunteers who are passionate about mentoring one of our youth to thrive in their home community. Scan the QR code to apply!

INVOLVEMENT:

- Meeting for 2-4 hours every month with a mentee.
- Reporting on engagements and accomplishments with a mentee.
- Cultivating a relationship with a mentee for 12-18 months.

To our former residents, we want to hear from you and pair you with a mentor who will assist you with whatever services and resources you need through our RMI. We know that the reentry process is difficult and uncertain at times. Mentoring places a trusted and reliable adult in your life so you can become the best version of yourself. A mentor will listen to your perspective, encourage you to discover your voice, figure out your future path, and then work with you to find the tools to achieve your version of success.



Reach out to us at
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writersnresidence.org,
 or any social media platform.

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