



## MEDIA ALERT

### RENOWNED SONGWRITERS TRANSFORM GIRLS' WORDS INTO SONG

*Hit-makers like Lisa Loeb to perform lyrics by teens at WriteGirl Songwriting Workshop*

**What:** Acclaimed women songwriters, who have written for the likes of Christina Aguilera, Cher, and Keith Urban, will come together at WriteGirl's annual Songwriting Workshop to help more than 100 underserved teen girls transform their words into lyrics. The singer/songwriters will then take to the stage to perform the girls' lyrics and bring their stories to life in song.

**Who:** More than a dozen prominent singer/songwriters are confirmed, including:

- Lisa Loeb, a GRAMMY-nominated singer/songwriter best known for her 1994 Billboard Number 1 hit song "Stay (I Missed You)"
- Jill Sobule, an American singer-songwriter known for her 1995 singles "I Kissed a Girl" and "Supermodel" from the cult classic, *Clueless*.
- Shelly Peiken, writer of Christina Aguilera's No. 1 hit, "What A Girl Wants" and other songs for top artists like Britney Spears, Celine Dion and Cher.

**Why:** The Songwriting Workshop shows teens what they're capable of, and where that could possibly take them. Learning songwriting techniques and building mentoring relationships with professional women writers encourages teen girls to develop communication skills, confidence and a positive outlook on themselves and their futures.

**Where:** The Huntington Library and Gardens, 1151 Oxford Rd, San Marino, CA 91108

**When:** Saturday, February 27, 2016 from 10 am - 4 pm

**Media Opportunities:** Video and photos of songwriters working with girls and performing their lyrics. Interviews with songwriters, WriteGirl mentors and staff, and teen girls.

**Event Sponsor:** The ASCAP Foundation Irving Caesar Fund

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**About WriteGirl:** [WriteGirl](http://www.writegirl.org), a Los Angeles-based creative writing and mentoring organization for teens, spotlights the power of a girl and her pen. Celebrating its 15th season, WriteGirl was recognized by Michelle Obama with the National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award in 2013 for its success inspiring thousands of at-risk teens enroll in college. For more information about WriteGirl, visit <http://www.writegirl.org>. **Please note that this event is not open to the public and RSVPs are required.**

