



Media Alert

ACCLAIMED ACTORS TO PERFORM TEEN GIRLS' STORIES

Red Carpet Benefit Supports Los Angeles Nonprofit for At-Risk Teens

WHAT: Celebrated actors from hit TV shows, including **Wendi McLendon-Covey** (*The Goldbergs*), **Keiko Agena** (*Gilmore Girls*) and more, will appear at [Lights, Camera, WriteGirl!](#) on April 16th to benefit the nonprofit [WriteGirl](#), a Los Angeles-based creative writing and mentoring organization for at-risk teen girls. The night's scenes and monologues will be scripted by teen girls at a workshop earlier in the day with the guidance of acclaimed women screenwriters. In the evening, star actors will bring the girls' writing to life onstage during the ticketed, fundraising event.

WHO: Acclaimed actors and screenwriters from hit TV shows and films.

- **ACTORS:** Wendi McLendon-Covey (*The Goldbergs*), Keiko Agena (*Gilmore Girls*), Aasha Davis (*Friday Night Lights*), Trevor St. John (*Containment*) and Tembi Locke (*Eureka*).
- **SCREENWRITERS:** Jill Weinberger (*Chicago Fire*), Jessica Goldstein (*Telenovela*), Jane Anderson (*Olive Kitteridge*), Susan Dickes (*Boston Legal*), Clare Sera (*Blended*), Josann McGibbon (*Descendants*), Maiya Williams (*Haunted Hathaways*) and Rachel Feldman (*Beyond the Break*).
- **HOST COMMITTEE:** Nancy Meyers, Josann McGibbon, Jane Anderson, Jennifer Hoppe, Toni Graphia, Margaret Stohl, Christina Lynch, Jessica Goldstein, Liz Kruger, Maiya Williams, Susan Dickes, Terri Miller and Clare Sera.

WHY: Teen girls will have the opportunity to have their work performed on a Hollywood stage by well-known actors. These performances encourage the girls to develop their creative writing skills, improve their confidence and hold a more positive image of themselves and their futures.

WHERE: Linwood Dunn Theater, 1313 Vine Street, Hollywood, CA 90028. Complimentary parking adjacent to theater.

WHEN: Saturday, April 16, 2016

Character, Monologue & Dialogue Workshop

10am - 4pm

One of nine genre workshops throughout the year, the WriteGirl Character, Monologue and Dialogue full-day workshop is a thrilling chance for teen girls to write alongside Hollywood screenwriters and watch actors perform selected scenes.

Lights, Camera, WriteGirl! Red Carpet Benefit

- 6:30 pm Cocktail reception, silent auction
- 7 pm Red carpet arrivals

- 7:30 - 9 pm Performances by acclaimed actors, commentary by prominent screenwriters
- 9 - 9:30 pm Dessert reception

Lights, Camera, WriteGirl! will feature a silent auction with high-end items, including jewelry from Zina Sterling, Nialaya Jewelry and Tarina Tarantino, artwork from Michele Castagnetti, and skincare from Blue Mercury and Evan Healy.

MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES: Video and photos of actors working with girls and performing their scripts. Interviews with screenwriters, actors, WriteGirl staff and teen girls.

SPONSORS: The Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences, Dream Team Directors, Little Flower Candy Co., Katherine Lemon Bars

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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 2013 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award for its success inspiring thousands of at-risk teens enroll in college. For more information, visit www.writegirl.org.