A night of inspiration!

WRITEGIRL

BOLD INK AWARDS

2022

JUNE 4 | 5 PM - 6:30 PM
ONLINE

www.writegirl.org
Join us for a glam evening of entertainment to celebrate bold women writers and raise vital funds to support WriteGirl programs for underserved teen girls! Help WriteGirl maintain its 20-year record of sending 100% of participating teens to college!

- Live performances
- Celebrity appearances
- Inspiring voices
- Auction of unique and indulgent delights!

HONOREES

2022 Honorees to be announced soon!

WriteGirl alumna and Harvard graduate, Amanda Gorman, performed her poem “The Hill We Climb” at the 2021 US Presidential Inauguration. She credits WriteGirl for being pivotal in helping her develop the confidence to share her creative voice on the world stage.

AUDIENCE

300 entertainment industry professionals, community leaders, business owners and philanthropists.

TICKETS

$50 - $500

SPONSORS

Sponsors will be included in social media promotion, the event program and slideshow, press releases and more!

PAST HONOREE SPOTLIGHT

Tickets available at www.writegirl.org
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$500 - GOLD VIP TICKET
Includes exclusive digital gift prior to the event;
Post-event gift bag to be mailed

$250 - SILVER VIP TICKET
Includes exclusive digital gift prior to the event

$50 - GENERAL ADMISSION TICKET
($40 "early bird" option through May 22nd)

DONATION OPTIONS

$200 - SPONSOR TICKET (NON-ATTENDING)

Unable to attend? Sponsor a girl & her family to attend!
Sponsorship Packages

**WRITEGIRL BOLD INK AWARDS 2022**

**Platinum Sponsor:**
- Prominent recognition as key sponsor
- GOLD VIP tickets for 10
- Corporate logos on digital promotional materials, including web pages, social media and press releases
- Logo inclusion in pre-show slideshow
- Full-page ad in digital program

**Gold Sponsor:**
- GOLD VIP tickets for four
- Prominent recognition in digital promotional materials (press release, etc.)
- Inclusion on event web page and social media
- Logo inclusion in pre-show slideshow
- Full-page ad in digital program

**Silver Sponsor:**
- SILVER VIP tickets for four
- Prominent recognition on social media
- Prominent recognition in digital materials (program, press releases, etc.)

**Bronze Sponsor:**
- SILVER VIP tickets for two
- Recognition on social media
- Recognition in digital materials (program, press releases, etc.)

**Program Ads:**
- Full-page ad in digital program and event slideshow
- (Congratulate a Bold Ink Award honoree OR offer an inspirational message to the WriteGirl community)

To sponsor the event, contact WriteGirl Executive Director Keren Taylor at keren@writegirl.org or (323) 327-2555.

To place an ad, contact WriteGirl Administrative Manager Megan Bennett at office@writegirl.org or (213) 253-2655.
Teen girls, in the best of times, need support, community and guidance. But the pandemic has continued to present immense additional challenges for teens. They have been unable to plan ahead, with all the uncertainty of complex hybrid educational approaches. They have cared for family members, and many have lost loved ones to COVID...all while being a teenager.

We have always viewed WriteGirl as an oasis – a place where teens can express their emotions and ideas, and gain inspiration while surrounded by peers and mentors. They need this oasis now more than ever before. Help us give teen girls the support they need so they can rise and thrive! Help them write their way to bold futures!
PAST WRITEGIRL BOLD INK AWARD HONOREES:

2021

**Amanda Gorman**
Inaugural poet, WriteGirl alum and author (*The Hill We Climb*)

**Attica Locke**
Screenwriter, TV producer and author (*Heaven, My Home*)

**Tembi Locke**
Actor, screenwriter and author (*From Scratch*)

**Gabriela Garcia**
Author, fiction writer, poet and journalist (*Of Women and Salt*)
PAST WRITEGIRL
BOLD INK AWARD
HONOREES:

2012

Emmy-nominated Screenwriter/Producer Melissa Rosenberg (*Twilight* series, *Dexter*)
Academy Award-nominated and Emmy-winning Screenwriter/Director Lisa Cholodenko (*The Kids Are All Right*)
Emmy-nominated Playwright/Screenwriter Zoe Kazan (*Ruby Sparks*)
#1 *New York Times* Bestselling Co-authors Kami Garcia and Margaret Stohl (*The Beautiful Creatures* series)

2011

Academy Award-nominated Screenwriter Nia Vardalos (*My Big Fat Greek Wedding*)
Emmy winner Sarah Silverman (*The Sarah Silverman Program*)
Emmy-nominated Television Writer Winnie Holzman (*Wicked*, *My So-Called Life*)
Producer and Screenwriter Savannah Dooley (*Huge*)
Gotham Award Winner Aline Brosh McKenna (*The Devil Wears Prada*, *27 Dresses*)
Grammy-nominated Songwriter Kara DioGuardi (“Ain’t No Other Man,” “Walk Away,” “Undo It”)
PAST WRITEGIRL BOLD INK AWARD HONOREES:

2009
Best-selling Novelist & Screenwriter Gigi Levangie (The Starter Wife, Maneater)
Pulitzer Prize-winning Journalist Sonia Nazario (Enrique’s Journey)
Academy Award-nominated Screenwriter Naomi Foner (Bee Season, Running on Empty)
Grammy-winning Songwriter Diane Warren (“Because You Loved Me”, “How Do I Live”)
Screenwriter/Director Gina Prince-Bythewood (The Secret Life of Bees, Love & Basketball)
Poet Wanda Coleman (Jazz at Twelve O’Clock Tales, New Stories)
Emmy-nominated TV Writer Jennifer Crittenden (Everybody Loves Raymond)
Novelist Carolyn See (Golden Days)

2008
Academy Award-winning Screenwriter Diablo Cody (Juno)
Academy Award-nominated Screenwriter Robin Swicord (The Curious Case of Benjamin Button)
Writer/Producer Sarah Fain (Dollhouse)
2009 California Poet Laureate Carol Muske-Dukes (Channeling Mark Twain)
Liz Craft (Dollhouse)
Mona Simpson (Anywhere But Here)
Academy Award-winning Screenwriter Calle Khouri (Thelma & Louise)
LA Times Columnist & NPR Commentator Patt Morrison

2006
TV Writer/Producer Carol Flint (ER, The West Wing)
Emmy-winning TV & Memoir Writer Joey Soloway (Six Feet Under)
NPR Journalist/Author Sandra Tsing Loh
Novelist Janet Fitch (White Oleander)
Poet Suzanne Lummis (In Danger)
WRITEGIRL: CREATING BOLD FUTURES FOR GIRLS
WriteGirl spotlights the power of a girl and her pen. Our mission is to promote creativity and self-expression to empower girls, within a community of women writers. WriteGirl is a nationally-recognized creative writing and mentoring organization serving more than 500 underserved teen girls annually, mainly from LA’s high-density, low-income neighborhoods. Now in its 21st year, WriteGirl envisions a world where girls live, write and speak boldly as they become inspiring, transformative leaders, driven to effect positive change in their communities.

WriteGirl provides a counterbalance to the enormous challenges teen girls face, including pregnancy, incarceration and violence. We strive to provide every girl with a mentor who can help her ultimately discover her voice and true aspirations.

“WriteGirl has been pivotal in my life. It’s been thanks to their support that I’ve been able to chase my dreams as a writer.”

– Amanda Gorman
WriteGirl Alum,
Bold Ink Award Honoree
WriteGirl seeks to raise up the voices of underrepresented and/or vulnerable youth, including Black, Latinx, Asian/Pacific Islander, Indigenous, nonbinary, LGBTQIA+, anyone with disabilities, and many others who are part of the communities we serve. Our events, training and curriculum reflect our commitment to multiculturalism, equity, diversity, inclusion, access, anti-bias, antidiscrimination, and antiracism. A WriteGirl is any teen who identifies as a woman, girl, non-binary or femme. As teens explore their identity and learn more about themselves, we want them to know they will always be welcome at WriteGirl.

Impact

WriteGirl has maintained a 20-year, 100% success rate in guiding its Core Mentoring Program seniors to graduate from high school and enroll in college, many with scholarships and as the first in their families to do so. This is not an easy feat considering the graduation rate at Los Angeles public schools hovers around 78%.

History & Population Served

WriteGirl serves 500 youth annually (ages 13 - 18), primarily underserved, low-income teens who identify as BIPOC and/or part of the LGBTQIA+ community. From poets to sci-fi writers, from the loud to reserved, from those wielding mechanical pencils to those who prefer Sharpies — all in one community, sharing their words and supporting each other.
WriteGirl serves teens through two main programs. (All programming is currently presented online in response to COVID-19, but by no means does that dampen our enthusiasm or energy! You have not experienced Zoom in all its glory until you’ve attended a WriteGirl event!)

1. The WriteGirl Core Mentoring Program offers creative writing workshops, one-on-one mentoring by professional women writers, publications, leadership development, and college guidance to 300 under-resourced teen girls and non-binary youth.

2. The WriteGirl Bold Ink Writers Program provides creative writing workshops to approximately 200 co-ed youth, including pregnant or parenting teens, and teens who are incarcerated and/or system-impacted at alternative schools, juvenile detention facilities and community centers. Youth facing critical challenges need mentors and inspiration. Let’s educate, not incarcerate.
PARTNERSHIPS:


LONG-TERM OUTCOMES:

- WriteGirl’s positive community helps teens develop a creative voice, solid communication skills and self-confidence. We make a long-term commitment to our teens, and many of our mentoring relationships last well beyond a girl’s 4-5 year participation in the program.

- WriteGirl program alumnae are graduating from college and entering careers in education, law, healthcare, social service, media and the arts that will enable them to confidently lead, serve and make a difference in their communities and across the globe. Many continue to inspire others through their creative work, including:

  - WriteGirl alumna and Dartmouth graduate, Jamilah Mena, who is working as a staff attorney for Kids in Need of Defense, in Seattle, WA
Filmmaker Jeanine Daniels, who recently launched her own production company and received the 2019-2020 Humanitas New Voices prize.

Award-winning poet Janel Pineda, who is the founding editor of La Piscucha Magazine, and recently published a poetry chapbook. She also received a Master’s in Creative Writing and Education at Goldsmiths, University of London as a Marshall Scholar.

Melina Zuniga, MD, who graduated from Spelman College-Atlanta and the Morehouse School of Medicine. She recently completed her residency in Psych/Med at Tulane University and is a doctor in New Orleans.
More than 300 professional women writers mentor teens in poetry, fiction, songwriting, journalism, screenwriting and more. WriteGirl recruits, screens and trains over 50 new volunteers annually. They are the heart of our organization.

WriteGirl received the 2013 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award, presented by Michelle Obama. In 2020, WriteGirl and Executive Director Keren Taylor received the Los Angeles Times Innovator’s Award, “recognizing WriteGirl's contributions to the community in promoting literacy, creativity and self-expression to empower girls.”