

## **Wild Writers and Collaborative Creators**

### **Grades 2 - 12**

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**STUDENT WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION:** We will share our experiences as writers and collaborators, as well as a slideshow of two of our large-scale community writing projects - Type Rider II: The Tandem Poetry Tour and The Tiny Book Show. We will offer a live demonstration of a unique writing exercise called Tandem Poetry - students give us one word and we craft two on-the-spot poems on our vintage typewriters - and then discuss the joys and challenges of creating spontaneously, letting go of attachment to outcome, and bridging our differences through vulnerability. We will facilitate a similar prompted writing exercise with the students to practice this form of creative self-expression, and invite them to share their writing and experiences.

The workshop can run between 45-90 minutes. We can accommodate up to 4 classes a day.

### **SKILL DEVELOPMENT (Goals / Outcomes)**

Students will:

Discover new forms and avenues for self-expression

Practice creative writing, use sensory details and concrete words and phrases to convey experiences.

Understand the process of collaboration and interaction with others.

Practice sharing publicly.

Materials needed:

*for Amy & Maya* - Screen or White board for slideshow with AV cable for connection

*for students* - paper & pencils/pens

### **REFERENCES:**

1. Heather Gaunt, English Teacher, Hall High School, Hartford, CT, (860) 232-4561, [heather\\_gaunt@whps.org](mailto:heather_gaunt@whps.org)

Link to an online write-up about our program at Hall High School, Spring 2015  
<http://we-ha.com/west-hartford-teachers-students-inspired-by-food-for-the-soul-train/>

2. Lorraine Restel: Principal, Lincoln School, Nutley, NJ [Irestel@nutleyschools.org](mailto:Irestel@nutleyschools.org)

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