



Playwriting (Arts Program- Fall 2022)

WHO: Boys and girls who are in grades 7th-12th and reside in the Towns of Milton, Malta, or Ballston, or the Village of Ballston Spa.

WHEN: Monday & Wednesday 6pm-7:30pm
WHERE: Malta Ave Elementary Auditorium
DATES: 10/17 – 11/14/22 (No Class 10/31 or 11/16)

COST: \$40 per student per 5 week session (not per class).

This is the cost for residents of the Towns of Milton, Malta, or Ballston, and the Village of Ballston Spa- who also reside in the Ballston Spa School District. If you do not reside in the Ballston Spa school district or one of the four listed municipalities, there is an added fee of \$25.00.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM: *Playwriting* is a new program being offered by the **BARC Arts Program** already well known for its mission of providing low cost recreational programming year-round. In this 5-week session our adventure into playwriting starts soon and we need you to join us for all of the fun. This 5-week course will culminate in the creation of a full length, short play, written by you and your peers. We will begin by brainstorming thoughts, ideas, and character arcs; that will then be followed by a series of freewriting exercises meant to expand our collective creativity. Once we have completed these short drafts we will read them out loud at an "invite only" event. We will utilize this public reading by asking the audience questions, gathering feedback, and ultimately facilitating the growth of our local theatre community. Please remember that if you do choose to fully commit to this process we will undoubtedly develop a play worthy of a full-length production. Hope to see you soon!

Shane Sczepankowski who has been working in a theatrical capacity for most of his adult life. His educational background is based around collaborative theater making with an intense focus on devising physical work via Shakespeare's texts. As an actor and director, Shane will discover the potential in each and every rehearsal room in order to create a safe space for all people to be their unique self. Most recently Shane's graduate work involved creating a touring troupe of Shakespearean scholars, wherein they traveled around the local community, performed early modern text, and taught a series of educational workshops that he developed as part of his co-op theatre company.

HOW TO REGISTER: Log onto www.ballstonarearec.org and click on the 'Register/Log in' link to be taken to our registration site. If you have already created an online account, you will be able to access the information used from your last registration. If any of your personal information has changed, **please update it**. If prior to this, you have not registered online for a BARC program, you will need to create an account and register. **Regular online registration will run from 9/26 – 10/14/22**. Please email ballstonarearec@gmail.com if you need help registering.