

BEGINNING PLAYWRITING

The story lives in you!

Lesson Topics

The Shape of Drama

How to Read a Play

Open Scenes: Make it your own!

Stories We Love: Why do we love them?

Adaptations: Creating for the Stage and Screen

Archetypes: "This seems familiar..."

Dialogue: Realistic and Stylized

Creative Writing

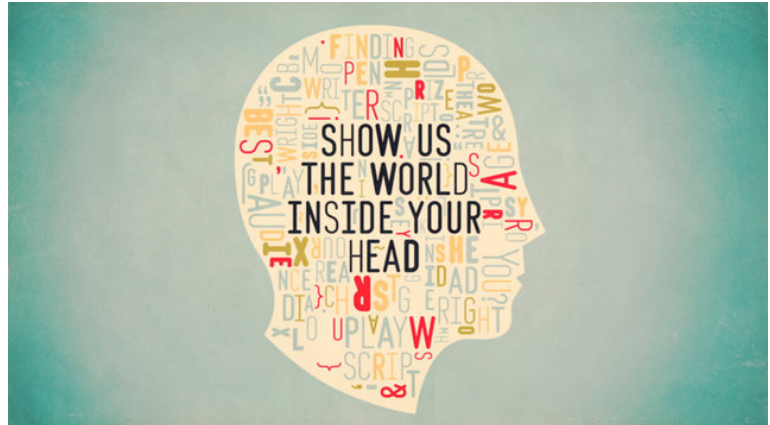
Telling Your Story

Formatting Your Play

Materials

Playwrights will need access to the following -

- a computer with a word processing program such as Word, Pages, or Google Doc.
- A reliable internet connection
- The ability to participate in Zoom meetings with a web camera and microphone.
- a smartphone or camera to film some of their creations
- a Private Youtube Channel
- an email account



Description:

This online class is intended for students of all ages who would like to dive into the world of stories and playwriting. This class will be a combination of online videos from the instructor, fun engaging assignments, one on one feedback sessions via Zoom, and creative writing challenges to sharpen the imagination and communication skills of the playwright. We are able to meet each student where they are based on their writing abilities to help them grow as writers and artists.

Lessons will be sent on Mondays via email

Zoom sessions will be scheduled individually

Instructor: Danielle Doster

"Ms. Danielle/Ms. Dani"

About the Instructor:

Danielle Doster is a long time Centerstage Academy theatre teacher and director. At Christopher Newport University, she blended her love of reading and theatre into a Bachelor's of Arts in English Literature and Directing and Dramatic Literature. One of her favorite courses there was playwriting, and she has continued adapting and creating stories since. After graduating from CNU, she went on to teach English at the High School level, so she knows very well the writing standards that each student is required to learn. Ms. Dani loves helping young writers grow as storytellers and communicators.

