



B STREET THEATRE'S PLAYWRITING WORKSHOPS

B Street Theatre Mission Statement

The mission of B Street Theatre is to promote education and literacy, social interaction and cultural enrichment by engaging children and adults in the highest quality theatre arts and playwriting.

Workshop Objectives

- To initiate young writers into the process and skill of creative writing
- To introduce participants to the entire process of a theatrical production: how a writer's thoughts get put to paper and how that gets put on stage.
- To inspire students to discover their own untapped creativity
- To be equipped with tools to write plays of their own initiative.
- To give them the opportunity to participate in B Street's Annual children's playwriting contest, an event open to children in 12 counties.

Workshop Content

- Brainstorming with students on stories that they already know
- Character analysis of protagonists and antagonists and how they evolve in the story.
- Developing a plot
- Improvisation work
- Writing ideas down
- Collectively write a play and have it "enacted" at the end of the session.

Practical Details

- 30 participants, maximum, at least 1 teacher present.
- Workshop can be held in a large classroom, media center, library, or theatre.
- 90 minutes – either during or after school hours
- Students should have writing materials with them (paper, pencils, etc.)
- Cost: \$200 (Mileage/Gas charged for workshops outside of Sacramento County)