

We're Talking The Bronx

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The Bronx Write Bus, summer youth arts program begins, for youth ages 12-18

Presented by the Bronx Council on the Arts, The Bronx Write Bus (BWB) is a free summer program for Bronx Youth ages 12-18 that meets on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and runs from this week through August 11, 2011.

The bus rides through New York City this summer, exploring arts and culture and giving voice to a new generation of writers.

On Tuesdays, the bus picks up thirty Bronx students, ages 12-18, from the Bronx Museum of the Arts (1040 Grand Concourse at 165th Street), giving them the opportunity to meet a writer or performer who introduces them to humor, memoir, travel writing, playwriting and poetry on the ride to the event. The BWB takes the group to art and cultural events in one of the four other boroughs, including a comedy improv class, a museum tour, a play, a walking tour of architecture and a poetry performance. On the BWB ride back to the Bronx, the group works on a creative response that is published on CrossBRONX.org and will be shared in an anthology.

The BWB is intended for Bronx youth interested in writing and performance arts. All skill levels are welcome. Students who commit to the Bronx Write Bus must attend that week's Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday sessions. They must reserve each week separately, but are welcome to attend one or all of the weekly sessions.

Students must pre-register for each week's events at www.bronxarts.org/bronxwritebus.asp.

On Tuesdays, from 11:00am to 4:00pm, the BWB takes students to and from cultural sites in NYC. On Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 11:00am to 2:00pm, students take part in instructive, collaborative writing activities at the Bronx Museum of the Arts, 1040 Grand Concourse at 165th Street.

Participants acquire public speaking and performance skills; improve their communication skills; and build their confidence and self-esteem. The program fosters an increase in motivation and creativity. Finally, participants suffer less from the summer learning gap that often causes sub-par levels of achievement in the fall. The program promises to be a unique experience for all involved. Many spots are yet to be filled, so sign up while you still can!

Visit www.bronxarts.org/bronxwritebus.asp to register.

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