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Free writers workshop at Bay Plaza

Presented by the Bronx Council on the Arts' Bronx Writers Center, First Lines: Getting Started on Your Writing Project is a free workshop for aspiring writers that includes hands-on writing exercises, discussion of structure, story-telling and voice and a Q&A with the instructor. Bring a notebook, a pen and your creative ideas! Maria Romano, Director of the Bronx Writers Center, will facilitate this workshop. The session will be held at Barnes & Noble at Bay Plaza on Friday, August 17, 2012, from 6:00-8:00pm. Admission is free and all are welcome. Reserve your seat at <http://bronxwriters8172012.eventbrite.com/>.

Maria Romano, Director of BCA's Bronx Writers Center, will facilitate the workshop. Originally hired as a consultant to manage The Big Read in 2008/2009, Maria holds a BA in English from Yale University and an MFA in Creative Writing from The New School. She teaches writing to middle school and high school students for the Fordham University Science and Technology Entry Program and was a Curriculum Advisor for Girls Write Now, a writing and mentoring non-profit organization. She is a Bronx resident and an award-winning writer of short stories.

First Lines: Getting Started on Your Writing Project is one of a series of free workshops for writers produced by the Bronx Writers Center. The next BWC workshop at Barnes and Noble Bay Plaza is Ask an Editor. Ask an Agent on September 21st. BWC's 2012-2013 workshop series at Barnes & Noble will be posted shortly on BCA's website at www.bronxarts.org.

For additional information on this workshop or other events presented by the Bronx Writers Center, call 718-931-9500 x21, e-mail bronxwriters@bronxarts.org, or visit the Bronx Writers Center's web pages at www.bronxarts.org.

Barnes & Noble Bay Plaza is located at 290 Baychester Avenue in the Co-op City section of the Bronx. To find out about other literary activities at the store, please call 718-862-3945 or visit www.barnesandnoble.com (click on "Stores and Events").

The Bronx Writers Center supports and develops the appetite for writing and reading in the Bronx. The BWC searches for and promotes new voices and audiences and engages the community in literary and literacy programs.