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Free Bronx Writers Center workshop

Presented by the Bronx Council on the Arts' Bronx Writers Center, *In Progress: Plotting it Out*, a free, hands-on workshop, is scheduled for Monday, November 26, 2012, 6:30-8:30pm at the future headquarters of the Bronx Council on the Arts (2700 E Tremont Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461, in the Westchester Square section of the Bronx.) Admission is free and all are welcome. Reserve your seat at <http://bronxwriters11262012.eventbrite.com/>.

In Progress is a series of free monthly events for writers and readers at the future headquarters of the Bronx Council on the Arts in Westchester Square.

This two-hour workshop begins at 6:30 with a half-hour of Speed Writing. Meet other writers and respond to short writing prompts. From 7:00-8:30pm, *Plotting it Out: Everything that happens in a story is the plot _ it is the backbone.* Using examples from contemporary mysteries, horror and women's fiction, we

will learn and practice the best plotting techniques. This is a hands-on workshop. Be prepared to participate! All welcome! Bring a notebook, a pen and your creative energy.

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The Bronx Writers Center's 2012-2013 workshop series, *In Progress*, is posted 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.