Lake Erie Ink programs engage and inspire youth

Creative Literacy Projects with Lake Erie Ink

Ink Spot is an after-school program that provides homework support and creative expression activities for 3rd-6th graders.

Teen Ink is a series of programs for 6th-12th graders that includes a publishing project, a weekly drop-in writing lab, monthly open mic nights, and college essay workshops.

Summer Ink camps are week-long creative expression immersion experiences that explore chosen themes and genres.

Weekend Ink is a series of all-ages, genre-specific writing workshops featuring guest artists and writers.

Project-based outreach programs bring Lake Erie Ink’s creative literacy enrichment to schools and other youth-serving organizations in the Greater Cleveland area.

Poetry:
- poetic forms
- literary devices
- performance poetry

Fiction:
- elements of fiction
- fictional genres, such as historical or geographical fiction, science fiction, flash fiction, tall tales, & more

Creative Non-Fiction:
- personal narrative & memoir
- college essays
- research writing
- opinion writing

Storytelling in Unique Forms:
- playwriting
- informational comics
- songwriting
- ‘zines

Story Book Field Trips:
- a one-of-a-kind bookmaking experience where students generate ideas for characters, setting and plot and watch their story come alive, leaving with a bound copy of their book to illustrate

Publications and Performances

Professional Development

Expand your pedagogy as an educator, and learn about best practices for writing instruction from Lake Erie Ink’s expert teachers.

All Sides of the Story: Using Creative Writing to Build Empathy and Community in the Classroom

Writing Across the Curriculum: Creative Writing in Math, Social Studies and Science

Writing to Learn: Writing as a Means of Gaining a Better Understanding of Text and Concepts

Writing in 3D: Creative Ways to Engage Students in the Writing Process

Effective and Authentic Writing Evaluation and Assessment

Reflective Writing to Help Students Find their Voice

Teachers Who Write: Demystifying the Act of Writing

...& more!

For more information about bringing Lake Erie Ink to your school or organization, contact us today at 216-320-4757 or info@lakeerieink.org.
What Teachers Have to Say

My students developed a sense of confidence in themselves and in the reading and writing process. They have never been involved in this kind of experience before. Thank you! - 5th grade teacher

Working with Lake Erie Ink allowed me to watch expert writing teachers at work, and it made the teaching process more collaborative. —high school teacher

My students are now better able to connect to poetry, are more motivated to write, and are able to release feelings and emotions in a healthy way. —7th grade teacher

What Students Have to Say

91% of students report that they can apply what they learned with Lake Erie Ink to their school work or personal writing

4 out of 5 students report feeling more confident in their writing skills

I write because then people will read. And when people read, they feel. And when people feel, the world moves.

—Eli, 6th grade

This whole experience with Lake Erie Ink was very interesting. I learned a lot about poetry, and I had fun while doing so. —high school student

Lake Erie Ink provides creative expression opportunities and academic support to youth in the Greater Cleveland community.

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