



Grand & Ghoulish Ghosts: Ren Young Writers Workshop

Be our guests, and allow the historic Renaissance Theatre to become the backdrop for students' imaginations! Using the theme of "Haunting the Ren," your students will be led through improvisation and theatre games, as well as a host of age-appropriate, customized activities which are designed to stimulate creative thinking. A tour of the theatre, complete with a ghost story or two (and, shhhh...a bit of the theatre's history in Mansfield), will culminate with participants collaborating to write their own versions of a Renaissance ghost story. Designed to align with the Common Core Standards for English Language Arts, your class will be encouraged to use the qualities and details which enhance any piece of writing. Whether the story is ghastly, gruesome, or just plain grand, there will be something for everyone when your workshop is done!

This experience aims to address the following Common Core State Standards:

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.W.3

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.W.10

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences."

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.SL.1

Prepare for, and participate effectively in, a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas, and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

The fine print:

- Workshops are scheduled based on availability of the teaching artist and theatre space. Please call to schedule at least three weeks in advance of your potential field trip dates.
- Workshops may be scheduled November 2nd-May 20th.
- Workshop cost is \$5 per student.
- Workshops can accommodate up to 25 students. Teachers are expected to participate.

To schedule, contact the Renaissance Education Department at 419-522-2726 ext. 212.