



Tellin' Tales
THEATRE

Everybody Has a Story

Young Adult Writers' Workshop Goes Online!

Join Now, It's Free!

During this time of uncertainty, the act of writing can help us tap into our inner world to help make sense of it. By sharing our stories and the wisdom within we can help each other. The workshop is designed to bring the Tellin' Tales community together and connect.

The mission of Tellin' Tales Theatre is to shatter barriers between the disabled and non-disabled worlds through the transformative power of personal stories. We bring together children and adults from both communities to share their stories in theatrically innovative productions and programs to promote awareness, understanding, and acceptance. To learn more about Tellin' Tales click here. [Tellin' Tales Theatre](#)



Young Adult Writers Workshop and Readers Theater

Tellin' Tales is inviting up to 12 young adults, ages 14 and up with and without disabilities to develop stories around a common theme. The program is designed for participants that wish to further develop their writing and performance skills. This six-week workshop will culminate in a live-streamed performance.

The current “Stay at Home” order has created a situation where people have to find new ways to stay connected and create community. How do we keep our attention on the present moment and keep a positive attitude? Our theme is “This Is It”. Danny Kaye said “Life is a great big canvas, throw all the paint on it you can” We want to use our words and experiences as our canvas and share our combined wisdom through our stories.

Signing Up is Easy!!

We will be using Zoom for our online workshop. Using Zoom is easy. Click to learn more and sign-up for a free account. [Zoom](#). We will have two groups—one for those in middle school and one for high school and beyond. The workshop will be held Wednesdays starting, June 17th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm For more information about the workshop or to express interest in participating, email Molly Wiesman at Tellintalestheatre@gmail.com.

The Facilitators

Stephen Donart

Stephen is the Program Director for Tellin’ Tales Theater. He has a unique combination of Master’s degrees in Theater, Rehabilitation Counseling, and Curriculum Instruction and Design. He served as the Artistic Director for Fourth Wall Productions for over 10 years. His teaching experience includes the Chicago Park District, North Shore Academy, Kennedy King College, and Wilbur Wright College. In 2006 he made his debut in ***Six Stories Up in the Ozone*** while serving as a mentor. Steve has been a tremendous member of ***Six Stories Up*** productions for eight years since.

Molly Wiesman

Molly is a member of the Tellin’ Tales Theatre Board of Directors. She led the Young Adult Writers’ Workshop for the first time last summer. She has participated in the ***Six Stories Up*** program three times, once as a mentor. Molly became an ADA 25 Leadership Fellow in 2019 and has also served as an ambassador for a Best Buddies International Since 2015.