



Toolkits for Creatives

A Performing Arts Workshop Series presented by BNSProductions.org

Charlotte's only African-American Repertory Theatre Company

A three-part, skill-building workshop series designed to give emerging and seasoned creatives practical tools" for their artistic journey. Led by theatre professionals, musicians, and teaching artists, participants will leave with actionable strategies to elevate their craft.

So You Think You Can Sing

Focus: Vocal Development & Performance Excellence

Description

This dynamic workshop helps participants discover the full power of their voice. Through warm-ups, breathing techniques, and performance coaching, singers will learn how to maximize their vocal range, strengthen projection, and maintain vocal health. The session emphasizes best practices for preparation and delivery, guiding singers toward superlative performances whether in the studio, sanctuary, or on stage.

Key Learning Outcomes

- Mastery of breath control and posture for optimal singing.
- Techniques for expanding range and resonance.
- Vocal health practices for long-term artistry.
- Strategies for interpretation, diction, and storytelling in song.
- Live coaching and feedback to improve individual performance.

All the World is a Stage

Focus: Fundamentals of Stage Playwriting

Description

Designed for aspiring playwrights and storytellers, this workshop introduces the essentials of dramatic writing. Participants will explore how to shape compelling stories for the stage, from concept to dialogue, structure, and character arcs. Interactive exercises guide participants to think like playwrights, building confidence in their creative voices and leaving with the foundation for their own short play.

Key Learning Outcomes

- Understanding the elements of a strong play: plot, conflict, character, theme.
- Techniques for writing authentic dialogue.
- Structuring a one-act or full-length play.
- Developing believable, multidimensional characters.

- An introduction to script formatting and submission etiquette.
- Hands-on writing prompts to spark creativity.

Acting Up

Focus: Acting & Method Techniques for the Stage

Description

This comprehensive acting workshop provides tools for both new and experienced performers. Rooted in acclaimed method acting approaches (Stanislavski, Meisner, Adler, etc.), participants will engage in exercises that sharpen their presence, emotional truth, and physical embodiment on stage. The session combines lecture, demonstration, and scene work to encourage growth and exploration in the art of performance.

Key Learning Outcomes

- Introduction to foundational acting techniques.
- Exercises in relaxation, concentration, and imagination.
- Exploring objectives, obstacles, and subtext in a scene.
- Developing ensemble awareness and collaboration.
- Strengthening audition and rehearsal skills.
- Practice scenes with direct coaching and critique.

BNSPRODUCTIONS.ORG
Charlotte's only African-American repertory theater

BNS TOOLKIT FOR CREATIVES



So You Think You Can Sing
Vocal Development & Performance Excellence



All The World Is A Stage
Fundamentals of Stage Playwriting



Acting Up
Acting & Method Techniques for the Stage