## SEEKING WRITERS, POETS & CREATIVE YOUNG ADULTS AGES 13-19 FOR NATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

An exciting new work of performance art is being created in Topeka, for local, regional, and NATIONAL audiences. This work of performance art will be LANGUAGE-based: poetry, storytelling, spoken word, hip hop!

The writing THEMES will be Brown v. Board, justice, love, equality, and healing! Do these topics interest you? Do you have something that YOU want to SAY to the world? Show us what you have!

The creative team is SEEKING TWO WRITERS OF HIGH SCHOOL AGE and will be in Topeka during the second week of MAY 2023 to hear what you have to say.

These two young adult writers will be contracted to work with **TWO NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED WRITING AND PERFORMING TALENTS**, to create, IN COMMUNITY, a new work of art that will be licensed, registered, and submitted to the new GRAMMY category for SPOKEN WORD ALBUM OF THE YEAR.

This is an opportunity to **GROW AND SHARE**— if this opportunity interests you AT ALL, please reach out to us and know, that WE KNOW that we are all learning and growing. **If you LOVE WRITING this is an opportunity for YOU**: stories, music, lyrics, spoken word...it's okay if you don't love FORMAL writing.

Please know that we are interested in your **HEART** and your **PASSION**! So, put yourself out there! Reach out to us! We are looking forward to hearing from you! THANK YOU.

## IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS OPPORTUNITY, PLEASE CONTACT US BY EMAIL AT

<u>VLGSTUDIOASSISTANT@GMAIL.COM</u>. We will find a time to meet with you in person or digitally. In order to consider you for this project, we **NEED** TO HAVE: your name, age and a few sentences about why you're interested in this project.

IF YOU HAVE a CREATIVE WRITING sample, please send it, but this is NOT A REQUIREMENT. If you or your parent/adult have any questions, please contact us.

As a part of this project, you will be PAID FOR YOUR WORK. In addition to FINCIAL COMPENSATION, you will receive:

- Writing credit, and LOCAL, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL RECOGNITION!
- Mentoring with two professional, nationally-recognized artists
- Computer/access to technology needed for the project
- College recommendation letter and/or work reference
- The experience of a lifetime!

## PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

- Attend at least three in-person creative meetings, which will take place in TOPEKA. At these meetings all members of the writing team will meet with community members to gather living resources/stories/ideas for the project.
- We will have ZOOM meetings with the national team as needed and with respect to everyone's time.
- Professionalism: Do what you say you're going to do, when you say you're going to do it.
- Attend editing sessions, workshops, and rehearsals. (All rehearsals will take place in TOPEKA. Workshops will possibly be held in Topeka and/or digitally.)