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THE ALL INCLUSIVE ART CENTRE

CF PLAYWRITING COMPETITION

In celebration of Community Focus' 30th birthday year, the inclusive arts charity announces a call for submissions for the first CF Playwriting competition!

Drama and Creative Writing has had a long and varied history at CF, and to highlight the diverse work of writers in London, budding playwrights aged 16 and over are invited to create a new play on the theme of '30'.

Entrants can submit work to one of two categories:

The CF New Writers Award: For all entrants over 16

The Emerging Writers Award: For adults with learning difficulties

The Judging panel will include representatives from **Channel 4, Empire Magazine** and **Private Eye**. Judges will be looking for an original script and for plays that approach the theme of '30' in an interesting and imaginative way. A shortlist of 4 writers will have an extract of their plays read by actors at the CF Playwriting Awards Evening on **24 October 2008**.

The CF New Writers Award competition criteria

Entry is open to unpublished writers over the age of 16

CF will accept one act plays, ½ hour in length, maximum 15 – 20 pages

The play should be connected to the theme of '30'

Plays should all be typed in Arial font, 14 point

The Emerging Writers Award competition criteria

Entry is open to unpublished writers with learning difficulties over the age of 16

CF will accept one act plays, 8 - 20 minutes in length, maximum 5 – 15 pages

The play should be connected to the theme of '30'

Plays should all be typed in Arial font, 14 point

Closing date for entries: 29 September 2008

A shortlist of the entries will be announced in October.

Free workshops!

To get the creative juices flowing, CF has organised 3 free playwriting workshops in libraries in North West London. Drawing upon her latest play for the Royal Opera House, writer Vicky Martin will encourage participants to develop techniques relating to character, dialogue, locations and story and will offer expert tips on how to make your play a success! For free advice on how to transform an idea into a play, secure your place at one of CF's exciting playwriting workshops. No previous experience is necessary.

Workshops will be held at the following venues: -

Edmonton Green Library, Enfield

Wednesday 9 July 10.30am – 12.30pm

Swiss Cottage Library, Camden

Thursday 10 July 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Chipping Barnet Library, Barnet (This workshop will be tailored to suit adults with learning difficulties)

Thursday 17 July 10.30am – 12.30pm

To book your place or for more information Tel: 020 8369 5483

Email: caitriona.dunnett@communityfocus.co.uk

The CF Playwriting Competition kicks-off a season celebrating Performing and Literary Arts at the centre. Look out for more events from CF's Drama for Radio group and watch the **CF Drama class** perform their annual play on **Thursday 24 July at 7.30pm.**



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CF Playwriting Application Form

Please keep a copy of your original script and send one copy with a completed application form to Community Focus, Level 2 artsdepot, Tally Ho Corner, North Finchley, N12 0GA. Deadline 29 September 2008.

Name:.....

Address:.....

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.....Postcode.....

Home Telephone number:

Mobile Number:.....

E-mail:.....

Date of Birth:.....

Please tick to indicate which award you would like to enter: -

The CF New Writers Award: For all entrants over 16

The Emerging Writers Award: For adults with learning difficulties

Title of Play:.....

How did you hear about the CF Playwriting Competition?

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I confirm that this play is my own work and is an original script.

Signed:.....

Date:.....