

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual

# Young Creative Writer's Workshop

FRAMES AND PHRASES

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025

Strawberry Plains Campus

7201 Strawberry Plains Pike, Knoxville

The Young Creative Writer's Workshop is a free, daylong creative writing workshop event designed for area high school students and all Pellissippi students, but open to the community, with workshops in fiction, poetry, publication, songwriting and craft-focused/genre specific topics. This year's theme is "Frames and Phrases," and will focus on the fusion of words and art/photography in graphic novels and other types of creative writing.



Robert Gipe

Additional activities include a Quilting Bee/Story Square, "Create Your Own Zine," "Putting Words to Appalachia," the "Writer's Room" and the Showcase event at the end of the day where attendees may read from their original works.

**Attendees:** If you want, please bring a favorite photo as inspiration for writing in our "Putting Words to Appalachia" activity!

Award-winning Appalachian graphic novelist Robert Gipe will give the keynote address and lead the featured workshop. Gipe's first book, "Trampoline," won the 2015 Weatherford Award for outstanding Appalachian novel; his other two novels, "Weedeater" and "Pop," have been finalists for the Weatherford Award. Collectively, the trilogy won the Judy Gaines Young Book Award. Gipe provides a unique blend of humor and writing wisdom in all his workshops and speaking engagements. Audiences will strongly resonate with his down-to-earth, genuine presence.

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- Songwriting/Spoken Word Poetry with Black Atticus
- Fiction with Julia Watts
- Publication workshop with Terry Shaw (Howling Hills Publishing)
- Traditional Poetry with Anna Childs
- A free lunch is provided.
- Quilting Bee/Story Square
- Create Your Own Zine
- Putting Words to Appalachia
- Writer's Room
- Showcase Event

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## Questions?

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