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Free professional writing workshops – brought to you by Writers' Centre Norwich

We would like to offer your school the opportunity to benefit from three linked creative writing projects during the academic year 2010 – 11. The projects are all suitable for students in Years 5 – 10 and there is no cost whatsoever to your school. Our aim is to build up strong relationships with a number of schools across Norfolk but numbers are limited so if you are interested, **please give us an expression of interest by Friday 25 June** by emailing my colleague Sam Ruddock sam.ruddock@writerscentrenorwich.org.uk with '**Schools Workshops**' in the subject line.

POETRY AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Running from September 2010 until July 2011, this is an innovative new scheme which we are piloting alongside other literature agencies across England. The project – backed by former poet Laureate Andrew Motion and others - aims to improve 'the poetry offer' to young people by empowering teachers and young people alike with a wide-ranging programme which includes teacher development, creative sessions in schools with experienced poets, a showcase event in which the young peoples' work can be shared and podcasted, and a mass of resource material for future use by participating schools.

STRANGERS AND CANARIES

Running during w/c 4 October 2010, these ever-popular workshops are led by local and exiled writers who engage young people in the story of the Strangers, refugees who came here in the sixteenth century and whose impact can be seen throughout Norfolk today.

LETTERS TO EUROPE

With workshops running during w/c 8 November, this is a pan-European initiative which encourages young people to express their thoughts and feelings on a range of issues surrounding the future of Europe. With the economic, social and political fabric of Europe changing at an increasing pace, these workshops could hardly be more vital or more timely.

To repeat, this rich year-long programme of work is available to your school at no cost. However, we can only deliver this work to a limited number of schools so please contact us with your expression of interest by Friday 25 June latest.

For more information on the work we do with young people in schools please visit: www.writerscentrenorwich.org.uk/schoolcollege

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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