



Call for Freelance Author/Poet - Creative Writing Workshop Leader

Sparkhouse Ink Project organised by **Sparkhouse Creatives CIC**

We're looking for an inspiring **Author, Poet, or Creative writing facilitator** to lead **Sparkhouse Ink**, a 12-week creative writing programme for young people aged **12-21** in the North Cotswolds.

This is an exciting opportunity to mentor young writers, nurture creativity, and help produce a professionally published anthology celebrating their voices.

About the Project

Sparkhouse Ink is a weekly evening creative writing workshop designed to:

- Encourage self-expression and creativity
- Improve emotional wellbeing and confidence
- Reduce isolation experienced by young people in rural communities
- Support participants in developing their own unique writing style

Over 12 weeks, participants will work towards creating a professionally produced anthology showcasing their creative work.

Workshop Details

- **Location:** The Croft, Bourton-on-the-Water
- **Duration:** 12 weeks
- **Time:** 2-hour evening workshop each week
- **Group size:** Up to 15 young people (ages 12–21)
- **Fee:** £90 per workshop (£1,080 total for the programme)

We're Looking For Someone Who:

- Is a published or professionally practicing writer, poet, or spoken word artist
- Has experience facilitating creative writing workshops
- Enjoys working with young people and creating an inclusive, supportive environment
- Can inspire confidence, creativity, and self-expression
- Is organised, reliable, and committed to seeing participants through the full 12-week programme
- Experience supporting young people or delivering community arts projects is desirable.



If you're passionate about empowering young voices through creative writing, we'd love to hear from you.

To apply: Please complete the application form and submit any supporting information requested.

<https://forms.gle/3Qs6VKtx6XJBXAhA6>

Join us in helping young people discover the power of their own stories.

More about the organiser:

Sparkhouse Creatives aims to create local, affordable and accessible arts activities to communities in the rural areas of the Cotswolds.

<https://www.cotswoldyouththeatre.co.uk/sparkhousecreatives>