

LSWA CLUB DESCRIPTIONS – 2020-2021

Arts & Literary Journal Club

Tuesdays 6-7:00 pm

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At the end of each year, LSWA publishes an Arts and Literary Journal of student work that encapsulates the year's creative spirit. As a member of the Arts and Literary Journal Club, you will consider, discuss, and vote on submissions, as well as participate in digitally building the journal itself. Club members will have a special insider's view of the work of their fellow LSWA members, including all forms of writing and art, such as poetry, photography, sound essays, video pieces, musical recordings, spoken word, etc. Additionally, you will learn how to use InDesign and Photoshop, as well as have the option to work with LSWA administration to build LSWA's social media presence.

Creative Writing Club

Thursdays 7-8:00 pm

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Creative Writing Club will focus on giving students a safe space to write and explore genres and forms of writing. Each meeting will feature a discussion about a specific genre or form, along with dedicated time to write and workshop. Collaboration will be done with synchronous weekly meetings as well as asynchronously over shared google drive documents.

Dance Club

Thursdays 8-9:00 pm

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In Dance Club, we will explore and celebrate many different cultures, learn new skills, and share our love of dance through the experience and beauty of moving together rhythmically. Every 2-3 weeks we will learn about the cultural aspects of specific dances, and the choreography associated with each dance. Club members are invited to participate actively in each club session and suggest new dance types that they are interested in.

Fill-a-Notebook Club

Thursdays 5-6:00 pm

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Fill-A-Notebook Club is for anyone who enjoys a variety of writing and arts genres, from creative writing, or comic designing to pencil sketching, poetry, or drawing with markers. We will offer prompts, suggestions, and ideas that will inspire you to be creative in short, one-hour spurts, and in whatever way you choose. No more half-filled notebooks! By the end of the year, you will have a compilation of writing and artwork that reflects your own style of creative expression.

Film Club

Wednesdays 5-6:00 pm

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In Film Club, we will utilize a wide variety of digital elements and photographic techniques to create films. We will also learn about elements of screenwriting, such as plot, character development, dialog, themes, and visual design, and about the art of storytelling. We will view films and engage in discussion, analysis, and critique. Film Club will be a space where everyone—no matter your level of experience or skill—can share their love of film together.

Music Club

Mondays 6-7:00 pm

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Do you love making, listening to, and sharing music? Meeting together weekly to experience the many aspects of this art form can expand horizons and might help you find new favorites—or maybe even just help you find new people—pals!—with whom you have something in common. In Music Club, we will talk about the songs and artists we love, and learn together about new genres. We will gain new perspectives on the music that we know, and build appreciation for music we have never heard before—and we will play music together! Whether it's John Cage or John Maus, if you love exploring and talking about music and its impact, Music Club is for you.

New Mediums Club

Thursdays 7-8:00 pm

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In New Mediums Club, we will take on the challenge of working with different and unusual mediums to create art together. Our weekly meetings will be a time to relax and experiment with materials and found objects to create art in ways that you may have never done before. We intend on doing a mix of digital and hands-on art pieces with supplies that we have available around us.

Painting Club

Tuesdays 7-8:00 pm

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Painting Club will be a fun and relaxed way for students to learn new painting techniques, share their work with others, and experiment! We will be sharing tips for painting with different mediums and will be giving out a couple different prompts each meeting for club members to pick from. We will be starting with watercolor, but are open to possibly exploring other mediums in the future depending on interest. We hope anyone interested in painting will join us!

Performance in Poetry Club

Tuesdays 7-8:00 pm

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Performance in Poetry Club is a club focused on writing and performing poetry. As a club, we will practice our skills as poets and performers through workshops and prompts. At least once a semester, we will also host performances to share our work with the LSWA community. Above all, this club will serve as a safe space where members can use poetry and performing as a way to connect with themselves and others.

Photography Club

Wednesdays 8-9:00 pm

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Photography Club will provide club members with a variety of opportunities to explore the many different aspects of photography. You will not need a fancy camera to participate in Photography Club; you can use your phone or any other photo-taking device you may have. We'll learn tips and tricks for making the most of our cameras, techniques for taking different kinds of images, and editing methods for creating awesome final products. Many of our club activities will consist of photo-taking excursions; we want you to get out of your room and explore the world using your camera lens to guide you. This club is meant for all skill levels, so whether you've been shooting since before you could walk or you just picked up a camera for the first time yesterday, you'll be a perfect fit here.

Podcast Club

Mondays 7-8:00 pm

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Podcasts have become a common source of acquiring information and are a vehicle to give voice to those who wish to be heard; in a digital age in which we are able to record our own podcasts, a new art form has been created. In Podcast Club, students will learn about the importance of dialog, and how to further develop both listening and facilitation skills. We will write, edit and record demos, and together develop podcasts. And we will collaborate with other clubs to present musical performances, readings, and topical, interesting, and artful discussions.

Theater Club

Wednesdays 8-9:00 pm

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Join us for opening night (year) as Theater Club makes its grand debut for the first time ever in LSWA. With the theme of "Theater in Unlikely Spaces" at center stage of the Zoom Performing Arts Center, join us for a casual, stress-free hour every week to engage with all aspects of theater arts. We'll listen to show tunes, write short skits, practice our improv, and of course, play tons of theater games. Join the cast and reinvent theater like never before (breaking legs encouraged). No experience or theatrical talent required.

Zine Club
Wednesdays 8-9:00 pm

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Are you interested in being self-published? Interested in poetry, collage, writing, or any other forms of creative expression? A zine may be the creative outlet you're looking for—and Zine Club may be the perfect place! Zines are independent, self-published booklets that can be composed of anything—poetry, illustrations, photographs, magazine clipping collages, or of all of the above. Zines have been used as instruments of protest and change, promoting things such as social justice and relevant movements, and can be about anything that matters to you or might be of interest to the reader, such as your favorite plants, a specific event like a family road trip, or how-to guides. As a member of Zine Club, you will have the freedom to explore your passions and talents in a no-pressure relaxed, collaborative environment, where you can build connections and friendships with fellow club members.