

2010

Winners of the Annual Playwriting Festival were selected from 715 play submissions from over 800 student submitters.

Submissions per grade: High School – 291 plays, Middle School - 342 plays, and Elementary School – 82 plays

1st Place – High School

Gina Dukes, *God Makes No Mistakes*

Science Leadership Academy, Teacher: Josh Block, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Jacob Fagliano, *Purpose*

Philadelphia High School for Creative and Performing Arts, Teacher: Pete Syoum, Teaching Artist(s): Walt Vail

Anna Forman, *To the Few*

Lower Merion High School, Teacher: Leslie Pratt

Lyn Huong Nguyen, *On The Way*

Upper Darby High School

Kelsey Veno, *Grounded*

The Baldwin School, Teacher: Beth Criscuolo

2nd Place – High School

Malcolm Carrington, *The Stumbling Truth*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Samantha DiTonno, *The Examined Life*

Saints Neumann-Goretti High School, Teacher: James Gildea, Teaching Artist(s): David Raphaely

Sakina Dove, *Where I Stand*

Parkway Northwest High School for Peace and Social Justice, Teacher: Beverly Trimboli, Teaching Artist(s): Krista Apple

Jourdan Dunbar, *Manny's Horse*

Constitution High School, Teacher: Kathleen Melville, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Sophie Galtman, *Human Definiton*

Cheltenham High School, Teacher: Kathy Sheeder Bonanno

Jessica Greene, *Choices and Consequences*

Parkway Northwest High School for Peace and Social Justice, Teacher: Beverly Trimboli,

Teaching Artist(s): Krista Apple

Darrian Kennedy, *Untitled*

Philadelphia High School for Creative and Performing Arts, Teacher: Pete Syoum, Teaching Artist(s): Walt Vail

Sarah Levin, *Forgive in Time*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Racsan Limbauan, *Bittersweet Happiness*

Norristown Area High School, Teacher: Rory Zummo, Teaching Artist(s): Mark Robson

Jareese Long, *Circle*

Science Leadership Academy, Teacher: Josh Block, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Christiny Martin, *The Empire*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: April Claytor, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Kris McCormick, *Just End*

Constitution High School, Teacher: Kathleen Melville, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Samantha Silberstein, *To Jump or Not to Jump! A Serious Comedy*

Constitution High School, Teacher: Kathleen Melville, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

David Silberthau, *Blank Pages*

Lower Merion High School, Teacher: Dana Shuster Brown

Samantha Sisler, *Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star*

The Baldwin School, Teacher: Beth Criscuolo

Ben Tindal, *Lessons on Relationships by a Guy Whose Never Been in One*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: April Claytor, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Ismail Wilson, *Empathy*

Abraham Lincoln High School, Teacher: Joan Asprakis, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Michael Woods, *Privileges*

Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy, Teacher: Ray Leven

3rd Place – High School

Destinee Aikens, *This Christmas*

Parkway Northwest High School for Peace and Social Justice, Teacher: Beverly Trimboli, Teaching Artist(s): Krista Apple

Gabrielle Ayres, *The Sword Was Just to Get Your Attention*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Julia Boyer, *Office 309*

Science Leadership Academy, Teacher: Josh Block, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Sherice Bright, *A Boy to a Man*

Parkway Northwest High School for Peace and Social Justice, Teacher: Beverly Trimboli,
Teaching Artist(s): Krista Apple

Amanda Conroy, *Obsessive Cole Davis*

Upper Darby High School, Teacher: Nicole Ritacco, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Galen Dorpalen-Barry, *Apartment Drama*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Ellen Duong, *A Dandelion's Parachute*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Deidre Etim, *Avoiding Mirrors*

George Washington High School, Teacher: Randee Hurvitz, Teaching Artist(s): Bobbi Block

Dara Fleurentin, *Olive Trees*

Little Flower Catholic High School For Girls, Teacher: Sister Mary Craig, Teaching Artist(s):
Dwight Wilkins

Spring Gamble and Gabrielle Smith, *The Wrong Turn*

Philadelphia High School for Girls, Teacher: Allison Levine

Kelly Graham, *Mending Mistakes*

Little Flower Catholic High School For Girls, Teacher: Sister Mary Craig, Teaching Artist(s):
Dwight Wilkins

Catharine Haak, *The Slog*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Cody Hunsberger, *Splinter*

Norristown Area High School, Teacher: Rory Zummo, Teaching Artist(s): Mark Robson

Daivon Jackson, *Freedom's Child*

Constitution High School, Teacher: Kathleen Melville, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

George Koshy, *Sacrificial Love*

George Washington High School, Teacher: Randee Hurvitz, Teaching Artist(s): Bobbi Block

Emily Leyland, *P.S.*

Little Flower Catholic High School For Girls, Teacher: Sister Mary Craig, Teaching Artist(s):

Dwight Wilkins

Kathy Liu, *Lowell, Massachusetts*

Bayard Rustin High School, Teacher: Sarah Shaw Gallagher

Michael Mazzucca, *Me, Myself & Us*

Saints Neumann-Goretti High School, Teacher: James Gildea, Teaching Artist(s): David Raphaely

Lauren McKeown, *Breathe*

Upper Darby High School, Teacher: Nicole Ritacco, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Jamie Lynn Mistretta, *A Xylophone, Playing Cards, and a Pack of Gum*

Philadelphia High School for Creative and Performing Arts, Teacher: Pete Syoum, Teaching Artist(s): Walt Vail

Labriah Morgan, *Etruscan*

Constitution High School, Teacher: Kathleen Melville, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Krista Muoio, *Forever and Always*

Saints Neumann-Goretti High School, Teacher: James Gildea, Teaching Artist(s): David Raphaely

Lindsey Porter, *That Night*

George Washington High School, Teacher: Rande Hurvitz, Teaching Artist(s): Bobbi Block

Hannah Powell, *Smoke on the 55th*

Central Bucks High School East, Teacher: Sasha Eisenberg

Anissa Rementer, *Te' Iguana and es Dientito*

Furness High School, Teacher: Patrice Massaro, Teaching Artist(s): Anjoli Santiago

Kevin Riddagh, *Sanity Signs*

Upper Darby High School, Teacher: Nicole Ritacco, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Destiny Robinson, *A Crazy Life*

Strawberry Mansion High School, Teacher: Donna Bassler-Hart, Teaching Artist(s): Seth Bauer

Natalie Sanchez, *Karen's Battle*

Science Leadership Academy, Teacher: Josh Block, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Zach Wallace, *Earth Bound*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Taras Yurchenko, *The Sacrifice*

George Washington High School, Teacher: Rande Hurvitz, Teaching Artist(s): Bobbi Block

Group Authored, *A Runaway's Reason*
Philadelphia High School for Girls, Teacher: Allison Levine

1st Place – Middle School

Arjun Dravid, *I Am the Best Me*
The Haverford School, Teacher: Lori Reed, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Haley Gordon, *Axioms of Teenagers*
Cedarbrook Middle School, Teacher: Peggy Cooper, Teaching Artist(s): Ross Beschler

Emma Martin, *L-O-V-E*
Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Mary Reindorp, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Huidan Mei, *Teach Me to Fold*
General George A. McCall Elementary School, Teacher: Barbara Marshall

Hannah Pierce-Hoffman, *The Reason We Listen*
Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Mary Reindorp, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Lauren Pierre, *Abuse*
Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Rica Quiambao, *Toxic Waste*
Vare Middle School, Teacher: Erin Cunningham, Teaching Artist(s): Carla Emanuele

2nd Place – Middle School

Julia Beck, *Camp Autumn Falls*
Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Jada Blalock, *Where Do We Go From Here*
Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Kellie Furey, *Long Distance Letters*
Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Daniel Guyton and Tyler Mason, *Scruffy and Me*

William C. Bryant Elementary School, Teacher: Denise Moore and Kim Walker, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Jenna Harowitz, *Three Wishes*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Mary Reindorp, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Yating Huang, *I (Hate) Love You, Dad!*

General George A. McCall Elementary School, Teacher: Barbara Marshall

Jazmine Jones, *The Love of a Mother*

St. Francis de Sales School, Teacher: Cecilia Barr, Teaching Artist(s): Brandi Jeter

Steven Khoa, *A Friend to be Kept*

General George A. McCall Elementary School, Teacher: Barbara Marshall

Robbie Klein, *Between Two Towns*

The Haverford School, Teacher: Lori Reed, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Andy Lao, *The Note*

Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Jamekea Lee, *Land of the Differs*

General George Meade Elementary, Teacher: Lori Odum, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Amber Mackey, *Forget Me Not*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Mary Reindorp, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Petrina McFarlane, *My Dilemma*

St. Francis de Sales School, Teacher: Cecilia Barr, Teaching Artist(s): Brandi Jeter

Frances Mouzon, *Crazy Girl*

General George Meade Elementary, Teacher: Lori Odum, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Michael Pereira, *All For One and One for All*

Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Kevin Phan, *The Money Class World*

Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Ignacio Rodriguez, *Too Late*

Overbrook Educational Center, Teacher: Patricia Foley-Tuzman, Teaching Artist(s): David O'Connor

Gianfranco Rosselli, *A Woman, a Man, a Ravenous Ghost*

Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Tomas Sanchez, *All You Have to Do is Believe*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: Karen Celli, Teaching Artist(s): David Raphaely

Savannah Scheuerle, *Be Careful What You Hiss For*

Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Talia Smith, *Ginseng and Cream*

General George A. McCall Elementary School, Teacher: Barbara Marshall

Samantha Snyder, *The Gift*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Mary Reindorp, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Dasha Volgina, *Deep Water*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Mary Reindorp, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Jada White, *Troubled Love*

Andrew J. Morrison School, Teacher: Ilene Poses, Teaching Artist(s): Anjoli Santiago

Wenjia Zhang, *Discovery's Truth*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

3rd Place – Middle School

Divante Bradwell, *Shadow of a Dream*

Overbrook Educational Center, Teacher: Patricia Foley-Tuzman, Teaching Artist(s): David O'Connor

Abeja Burrell, *Hurt*

Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Carly Cherwony, *Murder on Campus*

Cedarbrook Middle School, Teacher: Peggy Cooper, Teaching Artist(s): Ross Beschler

Sapphire Crawford, *Whats With All the Problems?*

Vare Middle School, Teacher: Erin Cunningham, Teaching Artist(s): Carla Emanuele

Zoe Currie, *Life Goes On*

Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Erin Cwierniewicz, *Magic Lamp*

Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Molly Gormley, *The Show Must Go On*

Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Tatiana Greer, *A Poet's Heart*

Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Meghan Hadley, *Lauren's Letters*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Mary Reindorp, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Emma Hartley, *My Grandma's House*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Daniel Duo Jiang, *The Schoolyard Hero*

General George A. McCall Elementary School, Teacher: Barbara Marshall

Seamus Kirby, *Grease City*

Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Allison Knorr, *Teachers These Days*

Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Jay Losty, *Hookey*

The Haverford School, Teacher: Lori Reed, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Abby Marcus, *Sanya's Angels*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Mary Reindorp, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Rose O`Dea, *Mary's Millions*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Hannah Peterson, *Saving Gaia*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Mary Reindorp, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Ashley Rembert, *Laiyla's Secret*

Overbrook Educational Center, Teacher: Patricia Foley-Tuzman, Teaching Artist(s): David O'Connor

Alexis Riddick, *Believing Dreams*

J.R. Masterman School, Teacher: Karen Celli, Teaching Artist(s): David Raphaely

Ricky Rodriguez, *The Ghost of Video Games*

The Haverford School, Teacher: Lori Reed, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Dominique Savage, *Carol's Crisis*

Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Jonathan Spencer, *There is No Life Better*

Overbrook Educational Center, Teacher: Patricia Foley-Tuzman, Teaching Artist(s): David O'Connor

Miranda Tan, *Kevin Learns Chinese*

General George A. McCall Elementary School, Teacher: Barbara Marshall

Faith Watterson, *The End Is Near*

Vare Middle School, Teacher: Erin Cunningham, Teaching Artist(s): Carla Emanuele

Dawning Welliver, *Hand Me Down*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Garrett and Walt Vail

Imani Whitmore, *Why Me?*

General George Meade Elementary, Teacher: Lori Odum, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Bret Woldezghi, *A Cry for Help*

St. Francis de Sales School, Teacher: Cecilia Barr, Teaching Artist(s): Brandi Jeter

Linglin Zhou, *The Fault of the Pen*

General George A. McCall Elementary School, Teacher: Barbara Marshall

Group Authored, *Lost and Found*

General George Meade Elementary, Teacher: Lori Odum, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Group Authored, *Planet 51*

Andrew J. Morrison School, Teacher: Ilene Poses, Teaching Artist(s): Anjoli Santiago

Group Authored, Jennifer's *Big Mistake*

William C. Bryant Elementary School, Teacher: Kim Walker, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

1st Place – Elementary School

Olivia Case, *Nelson and the Remote*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Alex Dworetzky, *Quest for Adventure*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Kristen Hinshaw, *My Big Boring World*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Daniel Holdsman, *The Morning Dilemma*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Dahlia Laban, *The Most Evil Wampire in Transylvania*

Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard Davis and Kate McGrath

Group Authored, *The Animale Skul (The Animal School)*

Cheltenham Elementary School, Teacher: Marilyn Golden, Teaching Artist(s): Bobbi Block

Group Authored, *A Weird Group of Heroes*

Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Group Authored, *Soccer Ball Invasion...Earthlings Strike Again!*

Wyncote Elementary School, Teacher: Maria Sirolli, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggiero Jacobson

2nd Place – Elementary School

Tristan Calvo-Studdy, *The Alien Outcast*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Benjamin Cohen, *The Hole of Faith*

Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Stephen Flemming, *Jack's Time Machine 2010*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Lydia Gorman and Olivia Guthy, *Sea Adventure*

Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Kristen Hinshaw, *What Would You Do?*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Reid Kleinman, *The Everlasting Ice Cream*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Hunter Lee, *The Forest of the Wooden Compass*

Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard Davis and Kate McGrath

Andrew Sax, *Betting a Bajillion Bucks*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Monique Slowly, *Trouble, Trouble, Trouble*

Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Eleanor Streitwieser, *Space Rocket 5000*

Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard Davis and Kate McGrath

Tanya Thomas, Nia Williams, and Tyere Williams, *TJ's Problems*

Andrew J. Morrison School, Teacher: Ilene Poses, Teaching Artist(s): Anjoli Santiago

Group Authored, *The Disappearance*

Cheltenham Elementary School, Teacher: Marilyn Golden, Teaching Artist(s): Bobbi Block

Group Authored, *The Wicked-Tastic Cheese Chase*

Glenside Elementary School, Teacher: Angela Melvin-Schell, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Group Authored, *Journey into Dreamland*

Wyncote Elementary School, Teacher: Maria Sirolli, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggiero Jacobson

3rd Place – Elementary School

Maddie August, *Untitled*

Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard Davis and Kate McGrath

William Christensen, *Marooned*

Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard Davis and Kate McGrath

Leslie Goodman, *I Have Bubbles?*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Scott Hanson, *The Tennis Story*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Shua Kim and Ruth Wang, *The Orphan*

Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Kevin MacCabe, *Desean's Disappearing Hands*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Amira Martin, *Soccer v.s. Chemistry*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Vivek Olumbe and Jacquelyn Washington, *Home Sweet Home*

Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Joshua Patton, *Lying Fool*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Sophie Richards, *The Land of the Cockroaches*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Nathan Siegel, *The Boy Who Was a Snake*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Janelle Sullivan, *It Wasn't Me!*

William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Frances Calter

Group Authored, *The Worst Surprise Ever*

Glenside Elementary School, Teacher: Angela Melvin-Schell, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Group Authored, *New Boy in Town*

Andrew J. Morrison School, Teacher: Ilene Poses, Teaching Artist(s): Anjoli Santiago