

Crafting Democratic Futures - New London
Summer Performance Workshop
July 2022

Project Description. We are asking you to take part in a summer performance workshop because we are developing a performance piece that captures the role race has played from varying perspectives in the history, present, and future of New London. The project will culminate in a performance on the evening of July 16th. We are inviting you to be a part of this workshop because you are an individual who is at least 15-years old and lives in New London, CT. This project is part of a partnership between members of the Connecticut College and New London communities and the Houses on the Moon theater company to advance racial justice.

Dates: Weekdays, beginning Tuesday, July 5th, ending Friday, July 15th

Times: 9am to 4pm (with a daily lunch break)

Applicant Name: _____ Date: _____

Age: _____ Class year (if applicable): _____

Are you a resident of New London? y/n _____

How long have you lived in New London? _____

What is your gender?

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary
- Other _____

How do you identify?

- Black
- Latinx/Hispanic
- White/Caucasian
- Asian
- Native/Indigenous
- Other _____

Are you fully vaccinated? y/n _____

Objectives (Participants):

- Students will work together with other New London residents as an ensemble to develop a performance piece that captures the role race has played from varying perspectives in

the history, present, and future of New London. This workshop will be facilitated by Houses on the Moon theater company <https://plums-orchid-m7h9.squarespace.com/>. The lead facilitator, Miles Gose, has over 25 years of experience working with communities and youth to help them turn their voices into performances that highlight social justice.

- Participants will draw on their own life experiences and participate in performance-oriented exercises and activities
- All forms of artistic expression are encouraged (poetry, spoken word, dramatic monologues, song, dance, visual arts, etc.)

Potential Risks:

- This workshop will be exploring racial history however, we will strive to do this in a way that is sensitive and supportive to all involved
- In addition, two licensed clinical psychologists (professors of psychology at Connecticut College) are overseeing the project to make sure that the work stays within appropriate boundaries to protect those involved

Additional Information:

- This program is expected to take place in person on the Connecticut College campus. Virtual meetings and remote work may be necessary depending on COVID protocols
- Participants in the program will receive a stipend of \$700 if they are 18 or under or a stipend of \$500 if they are over 18. Completion of the workshop is expected for receipt of the stipend
- Help with transportation to and from Connecticut College is available upon request