

The 8th Annual **Hampton Roads Youth Poetry \$Iam Festival** features young writers, emcees, spoken word artists and performers for an epic event, centering on the powerful poetic expression of the youth in our community. Hampton Roads Youth Poets is part of a global network of 70 Creative/Youth Development organizations that present the world's largest Youth Poetry Festival attracting thousands of attendees and 500 participants from almost every state in the US and countries like New Zealand, England, India and South Africa.

Something for Every Youth Poet! Each youth poet, ages 13 – 19, who competes in one of the qualifying slams, is automatically eligible* to become a member of the 2016 Hampton Roads Youth Poets.

Qualify for the Grand Slam! The highest ranking poets will go on to perform and compete on stage at the Hampton Roads Youth Poet's *Grand Slam* at the Chrysler Museum.

New York, Baltimore, Washington DC & more: Hampton Roads Youth Poets travel throughout the region and country to appear on stage at workshops, open mics and regional slams during the year.

Brave New Voices! The top six poets*, plus entourage* made up of as many as 12 team members, plus coach and mentors will take part in Brave New Voices International Youth Poetry Slam Festival, as seen on HBO.

EVENT	DATE	VENUE	\$lam Fee
2016 HRYP SLAM FEST - Preliminary Youth Slam	February 11 th , 5:30-8pm	Slover Memorial Main Branch Library, 235 East Plume Street, Norfolk, VA 23510	\$5
2016 HRYP Slam Fest – Qualifying Youth Slam	March 25th, 5:30-8pm	Governor's School of the Arts 254 Granby Street, Norfolk, VA 23510	\$5
2016 HRYP Slam Fest – Semi-Finals	April 8th, 5-7pm	Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center 2410 Wickham Ave, Newport News, VA 23607	\$5
2015 HRYP Slam Fest – Grand Slam Finals	April 23rd, 2-5pm	Chrysler Museum 245 W. Olney Road, Norfolk, VA 23510	\$5
Hampton Roads is Louder Than a Bomb! & Hampton Roads Youth Poet Laureate Announcement Middle School Team Competition!	May 6th, 5:30-8:30pm	Virginia MOCA Museum 2200 Parks Avenue, Virginia Beach, VA 23451	\$25 per team

Teens With a Purpose is pleased to announce the dates, times and locations for the 2016 HRYP \$lam Fest:

***Registration Fees:** Pre-registration required (see below). Registration fees collected at check-in of each event. Registration fee only required once per festival.

Participation Eligibility: Youth living in Hampton Roads must be age 13 - 19 as of July, 2016.

Registration Details: Register for Qualifying Slams (may register for more than one). Individuals who place at either qualifying slam will advance to the Grand Slam.

Enrollment: Only 24 applications will be accepted per qualifying slam on a first-come, first-serve basis. Register today! Complete registration on the <u>TWPTheMovement.org</u> website or send attached registration form to <u>info@twpthemovement.org</u> or fax to (757) 299-0149.

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2016 Hampton Roads Youth Poetry

Slam Festival Registration



First Name:	Middle:	Last N	lame:
Poetic Name:			
Birth date:	Age: School/	Organization: _	
Mailing Address:		State: _	Zip Code:
Participant's Phone:		Parent/Guar	dian Phone:
Participant's Email:		Parent/Gua	rdian Email:
Participating in:			
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(*above three events are preliminary slam	s. You may compete in multiple p	reliminary slams. Hi	ghest overall scoring poets may compete in the

Grand Slam April 23rd)

How did you hear about this event?

- School
- Social media
- Radio/TV
- Email

T-Shirts: Indicate below if you would like to purchase a HRYP t-shirt

Check One	Type of HRYP \$hirt	Price	\$ize	Total
	Black T-shirt with Red and Green	\$15.00		
	Grey T-shirt with Pink and White	\$15.00		
	Red T-shirt with Green & Black	\$15.00		
Please add \$5 to 7	T-shirts sized XL and up			

Please return this completed form to info@twpthemovement.org or fax 757-299-0149. Registration can also be completed at TWPTheMovement.org. * Grand Slam winners automatically qualify to 2016 HRYP \$lam Team. Poet's participation in local, regional and national events, will be based on attendance of rehearsals, participation in workshops, programs and events. All competing poets qualify to be on the 2016 Hampton Roads Youth Poets team.

Slam Rules:

- Poems must be of the poet's own creation. Poets need at least three original pieces if poet advances to the last round, poet may repeat 1 one of their earlier poems.
- 2. Poet gets three (3) minutes to read one poem. One (1) point deducted from the total score for every five (5) seconds over the allotted time. There is a 30 second grace period before points are deducted.
- 3 Poet may not use props, costumes, music or musical instruments. Written notes permitted, but not encouraged.
- 4. A blend of Adult poets, media professionals, educators and youth make up a scoring panel of five (5) judges.
- 5. Scores range from lowest of five (5) to highest of ten (10) with highest and lowest scores dropped. Remaining scores added together for a total highest possible score of 30.
- 6. Overall top ranking six from all qualifying slams will also advance to the grand slam.
- 7. Grand Slam top six (6) placeholders will automatically become eligible* to participate at Brave New Voices ® Slam Festival.
- 8. All who compete in slams, will automatically be eligible* to be on the Hampton Roads Youth Poets team. *All HRYP Members are required to attend a specified number of workshops and performances and uphold the code of conduct.

TWP Member (Name: ____

- Friend or Family

- Other:

Hampton Road; I; Louder Than a Bomb! Middle School Team Competition



LTAB Festival Registration

Team Name :	#of Students:	#of Students:	
Teacher/Coach Name:			
School/Organization: (Must be 13-19 as of July 2016) Mailing Address:	State: Zip Code:		
Participant's Name:	Parent/Guardian Signature:		
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Participating in:

TWP Member (Name: _____

Friend or Family

Other:

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Slam Rules:

- 1. Each Team must have a minimum of 4 poets a maximum of 6.
- 2. Each School or organization can register up to 3 teams
- 3. Each Team must perform one group piece per round. There will be two rounds consisting of three bouts for every team. Therefore, every team will perform a minimum of 6 times.
- 4. The top two teams go on to the final round, two bouts.
- 5. Teams must have a minimum of two group pieces and a total of six poems to complete. We encourage group pieces, as this is a team competition.
- 6. If team advances to the last round, team may repeat their earlier poems.
- 7. Team gets three (3) minutes to read one poem. One (1) point deducted from the total score for every five (5) seconds over the allotted time. There is a 30 second grace period before points are deducted.

- 8. Poems must be of the poet's or teams own creation.
- 9. The point is the poetry, not the points.
- 10. We do it for the love so no hateful, vulgar or degrading language, points may be deducted at judge's discretion.



- 11. Poet may not use props, costumes, music or musical instruments. Written notes permitted, but not encouraged.
- 12. A blend of Adult poets, media professionals, educators and youth make up a scoring panel of five (5) judges.
- 13. Scores range from lowest of five (5) to highest of ten (10) with highest and lowest scores dropped. Remaining scores added together for a total highest possible score of 30.
- 14. Winning team will receive prices and will perform at TWP's Just Aart Day at Sandler Center in August. The date to be announced.