

# Be In The Know

The TKP team collaborates with educators and the NYC Department of Education on literacy and media programs. Media is a vehicle for advancing practice of the core disciplines. TKP knows the industry standards and how to produce outcomes. We design syllabi to work in K - 12 classrooms. In our Professional Development classes, we guide participants to use strategies recognizing that our children grow up with a media culture.

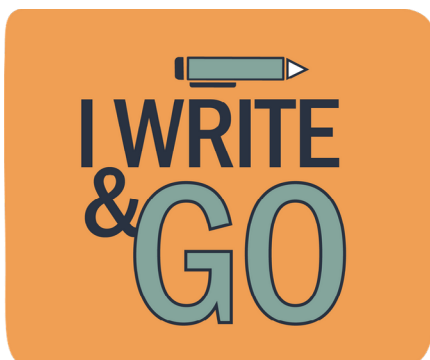
Popular and social media may be more interesting and fun, but it takes reading, writing, research, understanding of process, practice and mistakes to produce good media. Starting young, our students create media products - animation, publications (chapbooks, comics, magazines, newsletters), films, podcasts and documentaries. A noteworthy project was the **T.H.I.N.K. System** we worked on with the Department of Information Technology and the Department of Environmental Protection - agencies responsible for the ortho-digital map of New York City. Oracle, Inc., the UFT and a number of school district Superintendents joined us. Teachers and students across the city shared knowledge, resources, and made projects with outcomes to create an educational data layer for the map.

We run different initiatives to motivate students in all grades to practice communication arts, creative and critical thinking. TKP publishes and exhibits the students' work to public audiences. Animated Science (STEAM), POV USA (Anti-bullying media) and I Write NY are three of our initiatives.

TKP is preparing to launch **I Write & GO**. See below for more details. Please contact us to be part of a positive writing experience for teenagers.

**Happy Thanksgiving** from the TKP Team:

Margaret Hunnewell, Sheila K. Lewis, Eric Boscia, Adriana Davis, Rachel Burkhardt, and Jon Silveira.



The Knowledge Project presents, "I WRITE & GO" an event designed to motivate teen writers and promote authors. TKP is a non-profit organization that advances communication and media arts by connecting experts with the next generation of creative innovators.

[Details](#)

# Save the Date



## ***The Laundromat Showcase***

From playwrights in Sarah A. Congress's Dramatic Playwriting Course. Directed by Miriam Grill

Wednesday, December 1st 7:00p

"Laundromat on Mars" Shelby Lewis

"Clean Break" Amy Hansen

"Suds or Life" Nicole London

"It All Comes Out In The Wash" Dana Rose DeFrancesco

[RSVP For Showcase](#)



## ***The Hidden Force***

### **PREMIERE SCREENING**

Written and directed by Denis Prendi

Q&A with the actors, director and producers - both in-person and virtual.

Wednesday, December 15th 7:00-8:30p

[RSVP For Screening](#)

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## Then & Now

Some people may call it luck, but I call it fate being part of The Knowledge Project. Through the NYC Summer Youth Employment Program back in 2007, I got a chance to work at TKP doing animation for the first time. I was 16 and it was my first job ever. It was through working on their animation project with a great supportive staff and using the skills I had at the time I had decided to make my future career as an animator. Jose Maldonado, our supervisor at the time, introduced me to Adobe Flash, animation principles, and people in the industry. He helped me with connections even after the program ended. I was selected again for the TKP program the following summer. I am very grateful to say the least. I recommend any young talent to check them out.

Currently I freelance and do multiple projects for various clients including Universal Music Group on their recent Marvin Gaye's God is Love album 50th Anniversary visual project. I am also writing my own web-comic 'Off Guard.'

~ Malik O. Smith, Animator

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# Street Stringers News

At TKP, every other Wednesday, a new “theme” and assignment is posted for you to complete in two weeks. We call it a Journalistic Journey. Send a story, news report, drawing, photo or other media. Selected work will be posted in the News Gallery at the end of each month. Check out [Journalistic Journey #6 - Issues need Solutions.](#)

Positive change starts with the individual. As Thanksgiving draws near, think of someone in your community that is trying to make a difference. Interview them and learn more about what actions they are taking to make the world a better place. TKP invites you to be part of the solution and GivingTuesdaySpark <https://givingtuesdayspark.org/givingtuesdayspark-leaders>

Submit a 100 words or less story of a young leader seeking to solve an issue, along with a picture or drawing.



## Last Chance

Share your original short story, creative writing piece, poetry, artwork, illustration, or photograph for a chance to be published in the next edition of the Teens Mind zine.

[Submit Now](#)

**Deadline: Today, November 23rd.**

## Connect With Us

Students, win awards and be published in TKP's [Street Stringers News](#), [Teens Mind Zine](#). Coming in January, exclusive for emerging teen writers, [I Write & GO!](#) exclusive writing events with published authors. For more information about upcoming events and 2022 courses and free Masterclasses, SIGN UP for In The Know.

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TKP invites you to be part of the solution and GivingTuesdaySpark. It is youth-founded, youth led.