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**YOUNG EMERGING WRITERS SUMMER INTERNSHIP 2026**  
**APPLICATION FORM – Due Friday, May 15, 2026**

(Please use additional pages to answer the following questions if necessary)

**Name**

**Age you will be on June 8, 2026**

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**Preferred Pronouns**

**Race/Ethnicity**

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**Address**

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**Home Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Education (including any writing workshops, classes outside school, etc.)**

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**Writing or Design Experience** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Work/Volunteer Experience** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Why do you want to be involved in the YEW internship program?**

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**References:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Position) (Phone)

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(Address) (E-mail)

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Position) (Phone)

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(Address) (E-mail)

**Please circle any dates you know you will not be available from 5:30-8:00 p.m.**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
June	8	9	10
June	15	16	17
June	22	23	24*
June/July	29	30	1
July	6	7	8
July	13	14	15
July	20	21	22**
August			Thurs. 8/13***

\*YEW Interns should be available to attend the David R. Collins Writers Conference June 25-27; while attending is not required, a full registration is part of their compensation.

\*\*YEW will participate in a public reading on Thursday, July 23 at Rozz-Tox (2108 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Rock Island, IL). While attendance is not required, we hope as many interns as possible will be able to attend and participate.

\*\*\*Thursday, August 13 is the release party for *The Atlas*, Vol. 21. All YEW interns are expected to attend and to read their selections from the issue.

**WRITING/DESIGN SAMPLES**

Please attach two (2) samples of your best writing and/or page design. You may include a poem, story, short essay, play or novel excerpt, part of a script or sketch, feature article for a newspaper, newspaper/yearbook page you designed, or any other work you feel best demonstrates your writing and/or design ability. **No hand-written work and no school assignments, please.** Contact MWC with questions about work samples.

PLEASE NOTE: YEW **does not** hire or reject applicants based solely on their work samples. We will contact all applicants for brief phone interviews starting mid-April 2026. If you have any questions about this application, please email: [mwc@mwcqc.org](mailto:mwc@mwcqc.org)

Thank you for your interest in the Young Emerging Writers Summer Internship Program.