"Walk Out and Speak Up" Youth Storytelling Workshop

Gemini Ink, in partnership with The H.E. Butt Foundation and support from the Mexican American Civil Rights Institute (MACRI) and the Esperanza Peace and Justice Center, present *"Walk Out and Speak Up,"* a free and engaging storytelling workshop for teenagers aged 13 to 19. Inspired by the historic *1968 Edgewood Walkouts,* a pivotal moment in San Antonio's fight for educational equity and social justice, this workshop empowers young people to find their voices and craft powerful narratives for change.

Taking place from Monday, June 23 to Thursday, June 26, 2025, from 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM daily at MACRI (2123 Buena Vista St, San Antonio, TX 78207), the workshop will use a soon-to-be-released documentary on the *Edgewood Walkouts* to explore the history of youth activism in our city. Under the guidance of acclaimed teaching artists Marisela Barrera and Joyous Windrider Jiménez, students will develop personal narratives that connect the past to the present, highlighting the enduring power of youth voices. The workshop culminates in a Final Celebration & Performance on Friday, June 27, from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the Esperanza Peace and Justice Center (922 San Pedro Ave, San Antonio, TX 78212). Here, students will share their stories publicly alongside community members and participants from the documentary.

Selected stories will be recorded and broadcast by *Empower House Radio* and preserved on Gemini Ink's SoundCloud page, amplifying these vital voices.

No prior experience is necessary – just a willingness to share.

This workshop is FREE, but space is limited. Interested teens are encouraged to sign up and learn more at: bit.ly/walkout-speak or contact Anisa Onofre at 210.734.9673 | aonofre@geminiink.org

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STORYTELLING WORKSHOP FOR TEENS

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Walk Out & Speak Up

Free Writing Workshop June 23-26, 2025 1-4:30 p.m.

Rehearsal & Dinner June 27, 2025 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Final Celebration June 27, 2025 5:30-8:30 p.m.



To Register go to: bit.ly/walk-out-speak