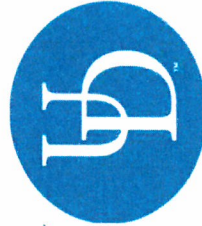




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– Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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**Writing Workshop**  
**David Teague and Dha'Zhea**  
**Freeman**  
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# Goals for this Workshop

- Explore how to creatively express your own views
- Develop your public voice
- Encourage reflection and action
- Inspire social change



**What keeps us from writing?**

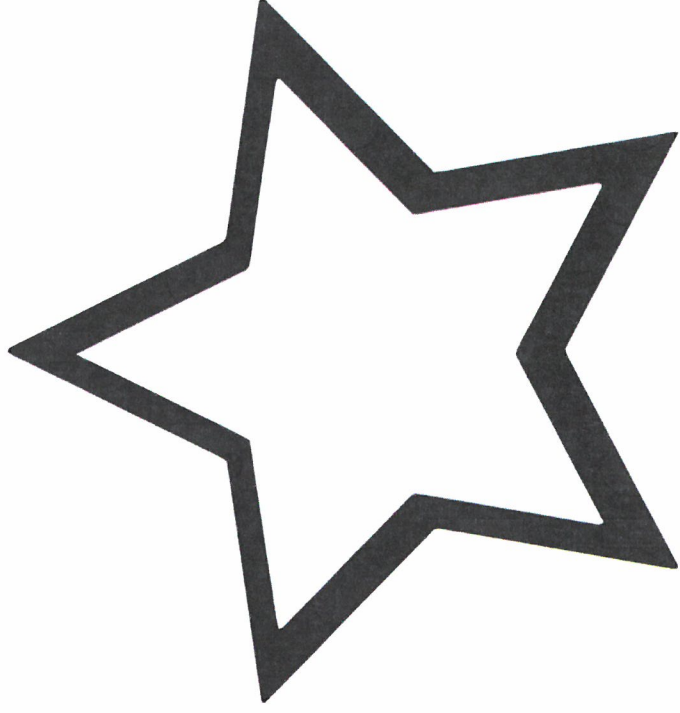
**Take a moment and reflect  
on your personal obstacles  
when it comes to writing.**

**Let's dive in and discover...**



## Five-Pointed Star

Believe in Your Message  
Believe in Yourself  
Believe in your Audience  
Believe in your Voice



## **Your Vision:**

The saying goes: be the change you want to see.

Today, let's change it up:

*Speak the change you want to see.*



## The Mission

To reflect on Dr. King's work in the 1960's and creatively share how his legacy guides our response to today' challenges.



### **Dr. King's Words:**

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“A man dies when he refuses to stand up for that which is right. A man dies when he refuses to stand up for justice. A man dies when he refuses to take a stand for that which is true.”

—Sermon, March 8, 1965



## What is your vision?

Peace?

Justice?

Equality?

Harmony?

Freedom?





## What did Dr. King Say?

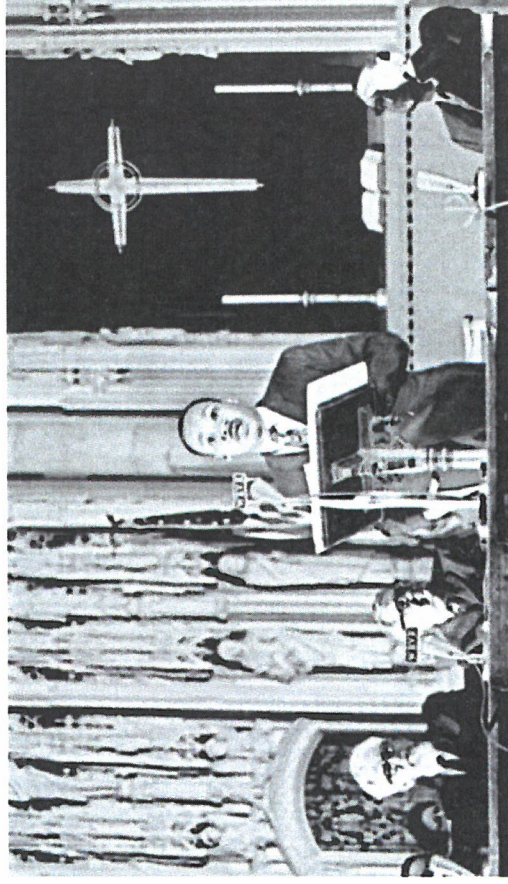
Lesser-known speeches:

Speech honoring the Preliminary

Emancipation Proclamation

“The Other America” speech

[“I’ve Been to the Mountaintop” speech](#)



And  
now:  
What  
will you  
say?

