

In a new collaboration with [Northlight Theatre](#), Edgewater Village Chicago is offering a free 6-week High Lights creative writing workshop starting on Wednesday, March 15. We hope Edgewater Villagers will take advantage of this great opportunity. See workshop registration information at: [High Lights/Edgewater Village Writing Workshop](#). Space is limited.

To learn more about this workshop, we talked with [Ruben Carrazana](#), Northlight's Community Engagement Manager. "What exactly is High Lights?" we asked Ruben. He responded that it is Northlight's writing and storytelling program for adults aged 55+.



"Teaching artists from Northlight have, in the last two years, offered these workshops to over 170 community members," he said, "and this past fall we had six writing groups running at the same time." He added that "each week participants are given story prompts designed to inspire personal narratives or to explore specific types of literary genre."

Writing genres might include family memoirs, poetry, creative writing, playwriting and non-fiction. In the workshops participants can share their writings for feedback if they wish.

Ruben noted that while the workshops are offered on Zoom, this February the first ever in-person event was offered, with nine writers reading selected works. He said, "High Lights would be nothing without the bravery and trust of our writers. I am always so impressed and moved by the relationships and stories that come out of these writing groups. This is truly one of my favorite programs at Northlight, and it is entirely because of the writers."

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