The Black Theatre Troupe of Upstate NY, Inc. (BTTUNY) is now accepting submissions of new and original work written by BIPOC kids aged 9 to 14 years.

Let’s encourage our kids to become poets, writers and playwrights! Yes, we need Actors, Directors, Stage Managers, Designers and Crew members in the world…But without Writers, there wouldn’t be any jobs for those people! So, we are asking for kids aged 9 to 14 years to write and submit their own pieces (poems, monologues, a skit, a song, etc…). Any theme or subject appropriate for the same age group is welcomed. Monologues and skits must be no longer than five (5) minutes. Poems and Songs must be no longer than three (3) minutes.

Pieces selected will be performed in our June 2024 Youth Theatre production, also for kids aged 9 to 14 years, alongside a longer, professionally written play. Some pieces may also be edited/workshopped with BTTUNY teaching artists, with the writer’s consent and collaboration, before the production.

Submissions should include:

* A PDF of your piece(s)
* A short bio (including the writer’s age) and a picture of the writer.
* Contact information (email and phone, if available) for the writer.
* Contact information (email and phone) for an adult parent/guardian. (Adults will always be copied on any communication with minors.) *We cannot consider for submission any pieces submitted without adult contact info.*

Please email all of the above to: [**BTTUNY518@gmail.com**](mailto:BTTUNY518@gmail.com)**,** with the subject heading: **Youth Theatre Production Writing Submission**

**Submission deadline is January 31, 2024.**

For any questions, please have an adult email [BTTUNY518@gmail.com](mailto:BTTUNY518@gmail.com) or call 518-833-2662.