

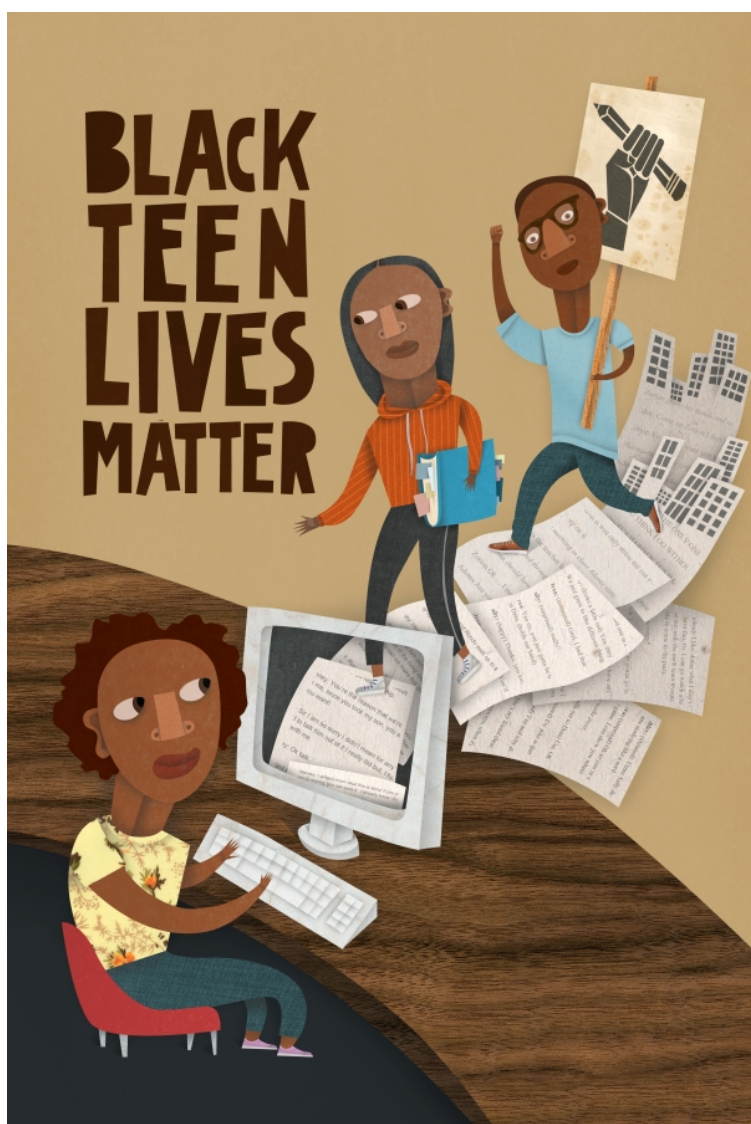
Hear from Chicago's Black youth in this new series.
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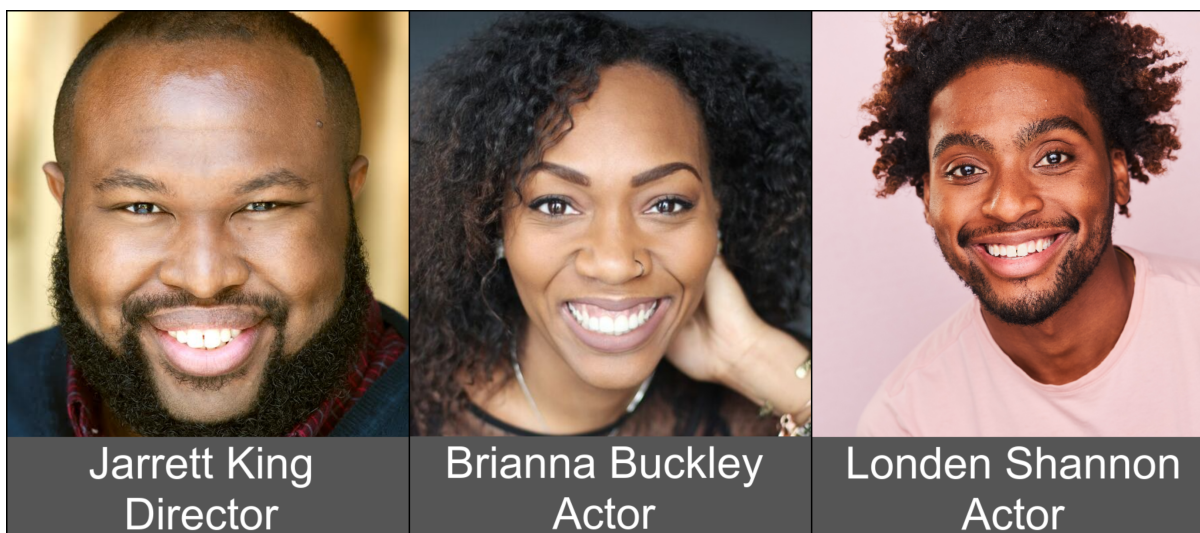
Save the Date for *Black Teen Lives Matter* in November

Black Teens Lives Matter is a virtual project in four acts—drawing on monologues and short plays written by Black teens in the EPIC (Empathic Playwriting Intensive Course) program from 2017-2020. This first set of monologues represents the first of four acts.

The project honors the stories of Chicago's young people and situates the voices of Black teens within a legacy of storytelling and activism.



Directed by Jarrett King and starring Brianna Buckley and Londen Shannon, this collection of monologues will premiere on **Saturday, November 14**. Join us at **2:00PM** to watch the video and then discuss with the creators. An encore presentation and additional talkback will occur on **Monday, November 16 at 7:00PM**.



After the second presentation, the video will become available for everyone to watch at anytime for free.

talkbacks, then click the buttons below to reserve a ticket to join the virtual audience on Zoom. Only one reservation is needed per household.

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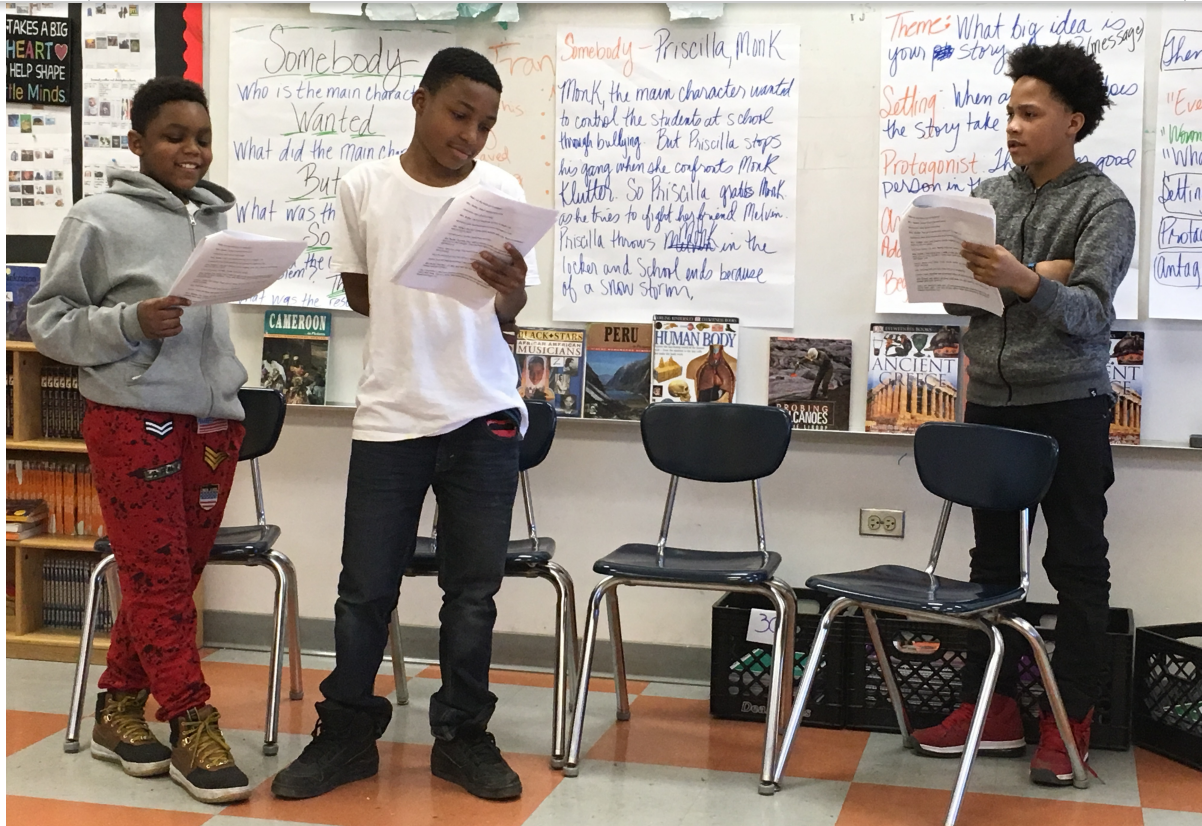
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More about EPIC



Silk Road Rising's EPIC (Empathic Playwriting Intensive Course) brings teaching artists—actors, directors, and playwrights who are experienced educators—into Chicago's secondary schools to help each student practice empathy and address complex social issues.

Teens are taught the fundamentals of playwriting while gaining a greater appreciation and understanding of their peers through storytelling practices. Many of our Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) students choose to explore racism, oppression, and activism in their pieces as it represents their daily lived experiences.



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"[Silk Road Rising] is a place where bonds are made, where ideas are nourished and where theatre, art and poetry are given a stage to reflect the richness of all the cultures that Silk Road Rising represents."

"The stories they tell are fundamentally American stories from immigrant communities that comprise the rich mosaic of our nation. These are the plays that are telling American audiences about what is happening in communities all around them, yet are being ignored by mainstream media and entertainment."

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