

# STATE HISTORICAL MUSEUM OF IOWA

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## Write Historical Fiction at Young Writers' Workshop

Join the ranks of Nathaniel Hawthorne and Edgar Allan Poe and learn how to write short-short fiction when award-winning author Stephanie Hemphill of Chicago returns to the State Historical Museum of Iowa June 11-15 for this year's Young Writers' Workshop.

You'll take a private tour of the museum's vault, select an object from the archives and weave a short-short fictional story about Iowa history using no more than 800 words. You'll cap off the week by giving a public performance of your story and celebrating at a reception with family and friends.

**June 11-15, 2018**  
**9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**  
**State Historical Museum**  
**Des Moines**

- Grades 7–12
- Limited to 10 participants
- Bring a laptop or tablet (accommodations can be made)
- **Register by June 1 at [iowaculture.gov/calendar](http://iowaculture.gov/calendar)**

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## About Stephanie Hemphill



Stephanie has won many awards for her unconventional work, including two novels written in poetry, "Things Left Unsaid" and "Your Own," about the poet Sylvia Plath. "Hideous Love: The Story of the

Girl Who Wrote Frankenstein" was named one of the Best Books of 2014 by the Bank Street Book Committee. In her latest collaborative book "Fatal Throne: The Wives of Henry VIII Tell All", she writes from the perspective of Anne Boleyn.