

# GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE

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### **GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE LAUNCHES FOURTH YEAR OF “THE WRITERS’ ROOM”**

### **LOS ANGELES-BASED PLAYWRIGHTS GROUP IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS**

#### **Deadline to Apply Online is August 16, 2021**

LOS ANGELES (July 16, 2021) – Geffen Playhouse is now accepting applications for the 2021/2022 cycle of The Writers’ Room playwrights group, it was announced today. Now entering its fourth year, the next group of playwrights chosen will begin their residency in November 2021 at Geffen Playhouse in Los Angeles.

Applications for the program are now open to all playwrights who currently reside in Los Angeles. The submission deadline is 9:00 p.m. PDT August 16, 2021. More information can be found at The Writers’ Room website at [www.geffenplayhouse.org/thewritersroom](http://www.geffenplayhouse.org/thewritersroom).

The Writers’ Room is a product of Geffen Playhouse’s commitment to supporting new plays and specifically to fostering bold, relevant works by the vibrant artistic community in Los Angeles. During this one-year residency, playwright members gather monthly to share their work and receive feedback from their peers in a forum facilitated by Geffen Playhouse Director of New Play Development Rachel Wiegardt-Egel.

In addition to the feedback from their fellow writers, members receive dramaturgical support from the theater’s artistic staff, a ticket to all Gil Cates Theater shows at Geffen Playhouse for the season in which their residency takes place, and the opportunity to further develop their work with a director and actors in a culminating reading that may be open to the public.

The Writers’ Room 2021/2022 is made possible through the generous support of Jerry and Terri Kohl.

#### **ABOUT GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE**

Geffen Playhouse has been a hub of the Los Angeles theater scene since opening its doors in 1995. Noted for its intimacy and celebrated for its world-renowned mix of classic and contemporary plays, provocative new works and second productions, the not-for-profit organization continues to present a body of work that has garnered national recognition. Named in honor of entertainment mogul and philanthropist David Geffen, who made the initial donation to the theater, the company was founded by Gilbert Cates and is currently helmed by Executive Director Gil Cates, Jr., Artistic Director Matt Shakman and Board Chair Howard Tenenbaum. Proudly associated with UCLA, the Geffen maintains extensive education and community engagement programs, designed to involve young people and the community at large in the arts. [www.geffenplayhouse.org](http://www.geffenplayhouse.org)

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