

# Silver Oak Literary Magazine

## Elective

*"Creativity takes courage" - Henri Matisse*



### **essential understanding**

Creativity comes in many different forms. In creating a digital literary magazine, students will have the opportunity to draft, reflect on, and share their own creativity through a variety of mediums. We will also spend time studying and emulating published work from a number of different contemporary artists and make choices about the presentation and publication of our magazine.

### **overview**

Students will draw inspiration from short stories, poetry, literary journals, radio series/podcasts, song lyrics, articles, and other contemporary media in order to draft, peer edit, reflect on, and publish their own pieces exemplifying self-expression and imagination.

**guiding question 1: What are some ways I can challenge myself creatively?**

### **lessons/assignments**

-Editorial Roles / Decisions (Design / Scope of Magazine)

- Apprentice Sentence(s)
- “Firsts”
- Small Writing Prompts / Freewrites

### guiding question 2: How does form “create” content?

- Stream of Consciousness writing: objects, dreams, and memories
- Magazine Edition: Advice Columns, editorials, opinion pieces
- ”Anti-poem” writing
- Formal constraints/ experiments

### assessment

- Every Week:** one original piece of writing must be completed OR thoughtful revision/addition to an ongoing piece
- Peer Editing Rubric** & feedback form
- FINAL:** Second draft of a piece (written, visual and written, verbal, video, etc.), having been peer edited as well as checked by the teacher, that you are willing to publish on the Silver Oak Literary Magazine.

### readings

- F. Douglass Brown, Chinaka Hodge, William Carlos Williams, Octavio Paz, Efraín Huerta, Lydia Davis, Raymond Carver, Isaac Bashevis Singer, Allen Ginsberg, and others (including student-selected text)!

### links

see previous version of Lit Mag: \*\*\* silveroaklitmag.weebly.com \*\*\*

[Entropy Mag](#)

[The Believer](#)

[BOMB Magazine](#)

[Eastside Arts Alliance \(Oakland\)](#)

[Nomadic Press \(Oakland\)](#)

[Sun Gallery \(Hayward\)](#)

[Poetry of the Body](#)

[MET Teen Blog](#)

[Those That This](#)

[BAM/PFA \(Berkeley\)](#)

[Poetry Magazine](#)

[Bernadette Mayer’s Journal Ideas](#)

[Rap Genius](#)

[Bernstein’s 66 Experiments](#)