



## BERKSHIRE PLAYWRIGHTS LAB

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### MISSION

*The mission of Berkshire Playwrights Lab (BPL) is to provide the playwright with space to create. BPL provides an opportunity for emerging and established playwrights to find a secure berth where they can develop new work and/or explore new avenues of creativity. Without a commitment to nurturing new voices and new talent, the American theater is losing promising playwrights. Through readings, workshops and fully-staged productions, Berkshire Playwrights Lab provides emerging and established writers with a professional and creative environment, while offering audiences the engaging and provocative opportunity to share in the dramatic evolution of premiere works.*

### HUMANITIES EXPERTISE

Berkshire Playwrights Lab is the only theater company in Berkshire County that focuses *exclusively* on new play development. It provides emerging and established playwrights with a supportive environment to develop their work while offering local audiences high-quality theater experiences at little or no cost.

### CONTACT

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## HUMANITIES RESOURCES & PROJECTS

### PROGRAMS & EVENTS

- [Annual Radius Playwrights Festival](#): BPL invites writers living within 50 miles of Great Barrington to submit their short play for our 3rd Annual Radius Playwrights Festival (submission requirements listed online). To keep it open and accessible, this is a blind submission process, and there is no fee to submit.
- [Berkshire Voices](#): Created by and for Berkshire-based playwrights to provide key support and resources for writers at every stage of their careers, fostering supportive artistic relationships across generations and experience levels. BPL provides a framework for the crucial first read of a new play, allowing writers to hear and experience their work and receive supportive feedback from artistic staff and theatre-skilled audiences. At the end of each session, free performances of two works created during the session are shared with the public.
- [Staged Reading Series](#): The Lab provides emerging and established writers with a professional and creative environment, while offering audiences the unique and provocative opportunity to share in the dramatic evolution of premiere works.
- [Submissions](#): BPL is constantly searching for playwrights, both local and national, with unique voices and points of view and who have new plays in the early stages of development. Those interested in collaborating with the BPL team of Artistic Directors and a cast of professional actors are encouraged to submit their unproduced play (submission requirements listed online). A panel of experts reads all submissions and chooses the plays to be presented and performed by local directors and actors.
- [Two Plays at The Mount](#): In collaboration with The Mount, Edith Wharton's Home, BPL presents two plays on one night.

\*Event details and ticket information listed [online](#).

### RESOURCES

- [BPL Podcast](#): Featured conversations with playwrights, actors and directors offer special insight into what happens behind the scenes at BPL.