

WILDWOOD ACADEMY OF MUSIC & THE ARTS

SONGWRITING

WORKSHOP & MASTERCLASS

with JOHN WILLIS
& PHILLIP REX HUDDLESTON

Explore the process of creating and writing original songs and musical theatre compositions with local, award-winning musicians John Willis and Phillip Rex Huddleston during an interactive, one-day workshop

and masterclass. Participants will get the scoop on proven techniques while developing their own compositions with assistance and feedback from both peers and professionals.



Students will have the opportunity to express themselves musically and lyrically while refining original works. Short performances by both John and Phillip could even inspire high school students to submit their work to the National Endowment for the Arts Songwriting Challenge. Each participant receives a student ticket to Wildwood Park's spring production of *Into the Woods*. Bring a sack lunch and explore the gardens at Wildwood Park.

**Saturday,
December 2**

9:00-12:00 | 1:00-5:00

**Wildwood Park
for the Arts**

20919 Denny Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72223

**Students 8th
grade and up**

Cost to attend is \$50.
Must reserve spot to participate.



John Willis is a singer/songwriter based in his hometown of Little Rock. He writes and performs on piano with inspiration from gospel to Motown to the classics.

Willis is an Artist, Inc. Fellow with the Mid-America Arts Alliance and has taught on faculty at the Wildwood Academy of Music and the Arts. He has been a featured songwriter in the UALR Songwriter's Showcase and on local PBS affiliate AETN's "On the Front

Row". He was a finalist in the 2014 Arkansas Times Musician's Showcase and has released two EPs with his band Late Romantics.

Phillip Rex Huddleston has been producing music and visual art for the past 13 years in central Arkansas. Last year, he released his first LP, *White Nights OST*, an electronic dance album that Arkansas Times called "Dostoyevsky disco." He has performed around the state in such varying acts as Sea Nanners and Glass Wands as well as his solo folk sets.

Huddleston has also produced commercial music for Legacy Wine and Spirits and organized musical acts for Arkansas Shakespeare Theatre fundraisers.



To reserve your spot or to learn more, contact Ashley Nipp:
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