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Cultural Daily Mentorship Program, Round 2

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We're excited to kick off the second round of our [Mentorship Program](#)! We had a great fulfilling time with our two initial mentees, both of them incredible young writers, whose work then we were able to publish. Please check out their writing.

Abigail Kuras: Excerpt from "Severed Souls"

Chelsea Zhu: "jarfly"

Once again, if you have any young writers in your life in their teens, or if you yourself reading this are a teen writer and want to go through a free writing mentorship program with us, contact us at connect@nextecho.org.

Once again, our mentors will be Chiwan Choi, our Editor, and Minnesota based poet Micah Ruelle.

Learn more about Micah at micahruelle.com

Deadline to apply will be mid-November 2025. We will be selecting two young writers.

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