



St. Louis's Historic

Lafayette Square Neighborhood



How well do you know St. Louis? The greater St. Louis area is a network of enclaves, small towns or districts, that we often pass on our way from here to there, never stopping to experience these vital segments of our city. You don't really know St. Louis until you've explored all it has to offer.

Writing Marathon

GATEWAY WRITING PROJECT
Write Your World

Join the Gateway Writing Project as we explore Lafayette Square. On the National Register of Historic Places, this neighborhood boasts stately homes that will take you back to Victorian St. Louis in its heyday. Walk down Park Avenue, gazing at store fronts and ending with a stroll through the community garden. Discover the rich history of Lafayette Park, the first park west of the Mississippi. Come along as we spend our morning exploring and writing in this dynamic neighborhood.

After writing, we'll gather at a great local restaurant to share not only our work from the day but also any piece you've been playing with. Before we leave, we will talk about ways to transfer this writing into a powerful experience for your classroom.

When is it?

October 13th

What time will we meet?

9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Where do we start?

Park Avenue Coffee

1919 Park Ave. St. Louis, MO 63104

*Take away
strategies
you can use
in your
classroom.*

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The Lafayette Park Conservancy is raising funds to conserve and restore the colossal bronze statue of Senator Thomas Hart Benton (left) that graces the center of the park.

Cannons (above) from the British warship Actaeon, which sank in 1776, were placed in the park in 1897