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**Louder Than a Gun: Open Mic For Our Lives**

*Local and National organizations provide an outlet for youth voices  
on the eve of the historic March For Our Lives in Washington, DC*

WASHINGTON, DC - On Friday, March 23, 2018 from 5PM - 7PM Busboys and Poets, The DC Youth Poetry Slam Team, Sixdegrees.org and One Common Unity present [LOUDER THAN A GUN](#) - a special open mic to highlight the voices of young activists.

Thousands of young people from all over the world will be marching against gun violence on Saturday March 24th. The night before, Busboys and Poets will provide a space for them to voice their sadness, anger, empathy, resolve and demands through poetry, prose, testimonies and more.

This event is free and open to all.

March for our Lives  
Scream for our Lives  
Cry for our Lives  
Speak for our Lives  
Write for our Lives  
Love for our Lives  
Fight for our Lives!



# LOUDER THAN A GUN

Open Mic For Our Lives

March 23, 2018  
Busboys and Poets  
14th & V  
5-7 p.m.



This event is co-sponsored by:

**[Split This Rock Youth Programs](#)**: Offers year-round exceptional learning, writing, bonding, and performance opportunities to young people interested in the power of language.

**[SixDegrees.org](#)**: A charity led by actor, musician, and philanthropist Kevin Bacon. The organization builds on the popularity of the "small world phenomenon" by enabling people to become celebrities for their own causes by donating to or raising money for local and grassroots charities in the United States.

**[One Common Unity](#)**: Breaks cycles of violence and builds compassionate, healthy communities through the transformative power of music, arts, and peace education.

### **[Busboys and Poets](#)**

Busboys and Poets is a community where racial and cultural connections are consciously uplifted...a place to take a deliberate pause and feed your mind, body and soul...a space for art, culture and politics to intentionally collide...we believe that by creating such a space we can inspire social change and begin to transform our community and the world.

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