

The Writeidea Prize

Short Story Competition



ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS AND RULES

Your entry

Entries must be submitted by 30 October 2016 at 23:59.

Stories must be a maximum of 3,000 words (no minimum).

There is no set theme. Stories are welcome in any form or genre.

There are no set layout or presentation requirements, but all entries must be typed, in electronic format.

Entries will be judged anonymously. **Please do not put your name on the document.**

Entries must be in English (or English dialect).

No amendments may be made after receipt.

Entries must be entirely the work of the entrant.

Eligibility

Entrants must be 16 years old or over on the closing date.

Entrants must be residents of the UK.

Writers who have previously been published (print, online, broadcast), or won a writing competition are not eligible to enter.

Writers may **not** enter more than one story.

Current Idea Store employees are not eligible to enter.

Prizes:

Prizes are: 1st £300; and four finalists will receive £50 each.

Prizes will be awarded at the Writeidea 2016 Festival on Sunday 13 November 2016 and will be sent to any finalists who are unable to attend the awards ceremony.

Entries will be judged by a panel.

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The finalists and their stories will be published on the Writeidea website in early November 2016. The winner will be announced on the Writeidea website after the award ceremony.

Other terms:

Entry to the competition implies agreement to have your story published in print form or as a webcast by Writeidea. You also agree to have an excerpt from your story performed at Writeidea Festival on Sunday 13 November 2016.

Entry implies an acceptance of these rules. Entries that do not comply with the entry rules and requirements may be disqualified.

Entry instructions (please read carefully):

Entries must be made via email to idea.store@towerhamlets.gov.uk

- Put your story in an attachment.
- Please put 'Short Story Competition' in the subject line. Your email must include:

Name:
Address:
Contact phone number:
- Entries can be submitted in the following formats only:
.doc .docx .rtf .PDF or .txt
The file name of the entry must be the title of the story.
- Please **DO NOT** put your name on your entry, only in the body of the email as stated above.
- Please keep a copy of your entry.

Administration:

Entries will be read by the Writeidea 2016 panel, made up of officers and professionals from the library and reading fields. The panel will shortlist the finalists and choose the winner. The decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.