

26th ANNUAL  
**Friends  
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Library**



# Creative Writing Contest

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## CATEGORIES

Short Story (fiction)  
Poetry  
*Limited to two entries in each category  
per person*

## AGE GROUPS

Grades 3, 4 and 5  
Grades 6, 7 and 8  
High School  
Adult

## SHORT STORY LENGTH

Grades 3 through 8: 1 - 4 pages, double-space  
High School and Adult: 3 - 5 pages typewritten,  
double-spaced

## POETRY LENGTH

A minimum of 8 lines for all age groups

## COVER PAGE

Must include name, address and telephone number. Please provide an email if you have one.

If you are a student, you must include age, grade, teacher's name AND school attended.

Designate whether your entry is for the Short Story or Poetry category.

DO NOT write your name on Poetry or Short Story pages. **ONLY** on the cover page.

## PRIZES

Will be awarded (with certificate) to winners in all categories (a total of 24 prizes!) as follows:

\$50 First Place  
\$30 Second Place  
\$20 Third Place

## DEADLINE

Sunday, March 10, 2019

## MAIL OR DELIVER TO

Friends of Warren-Newport Public Library  
224 N. O'Plaine Road Gurnee, IL 60031

## JUDGES

Selected by the Creative Writing Contest Committee; all decisions final

## WINNERS (ONLY)

Will be notified the week of March 31, 2019

## AWARDS

Award ceremony will be held on Sunday, April 7, at 2:00pm in the Meeting Room at Warren-Newport Public Library.

Only original materials may be entered.

Entries that do not follow formatting guidelines or are submitted after deadline will be removed from consideration.

All materials may be used by the library for educational/informational purposes.

Winning entries will be on display at the library and may be placed on the library's website or social media outlets.

Photographs, audio and/or videotaping may take place at the awards ceremony.

**Please no graphic novels.**



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