



Charles J. Thurmond Youth Art Scholarship Awards Kiwaniis Club of Gainesville's Writing Arts Showcase

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The Kiwanis Club of Gainesville invites the students of your school to participate in the **2019 Kiwanis Writing Showcase**. This competition provides an opportunity for Hall County **high school students** to receive recognition for their talent and hard work. In addition, this is an opportunity for local high school students to win scholarship funds to help finance their college education!

The Kiwanis Writing Showcase Competition will be held judged between March 11, 2019 and April 12, 2019. Winners will be announced by April 22, 2019.

The Entry Process

1. All contestants must be students in good standing with their respective schools/home school organizations and currently registered in the **10th through 12th grade**.
2. Applications will not be accepted without complete documentation.
3. **An entry fee in the amount of \$10.00 per entry is required to defray the cost of hosting the competition. Checks should be made payable to the Kiwanis Club of Gainesville and submitted with the entry application. Deadline** for receipt of entries is **March 8, 2019**.
4. Teachers/Students must mail or deliver hard copies of entries to:
Kiwaniis Arts Program
Kelly Lee
1098 Dixon Circle
Gainesville, GA 30501

The Entry Guidelines

1. Contestants may participate in only one writing category. The categories are **Poetry, Essay, and Short Story**.
2. The maximum length for entries is as follows:
Poetry- 200 lines
Essay-3,000 words
Short Story-3,000 words
3. Language and themes of entries should be appropriate for the classroom.
4. All work must be original. Plagiarism will result in disqualification.
5. Entries must be typed, double spaced, and in 12 pt. font.
6. A **copy** of the completed application form must be attached to each entry as a cover sheet.
7. The pages of the manuscript must not contain the student's name or any other identifying information. Place only the title at the top of the first page.
8. The pages of the manuscript must be numbered in the upper right corner.
9. Please do not submit the manuscripts in a binder or folder.

The Finals

1. All entries will be screened by qualified readers, and a maximum of 20 entries will be selected for the finals. First by school (first 2 per school accepted) then the remaining slots after March 1, 2019 will be filled on a first come, first accepted basis.
2. The judges will select four winners as the Best of Show.
3. The top three winners will receive scholarships as follows:

1st place \$2,500
2nd place \$1,500
3rd place \$1,000

4. Scholarship monies will be presented in the form of a check issued to a college or university of the student's choice.

Timeline for Events

Activity	Date and Time	Location
Deadline for receipt of entries	March 8	See address above
Notification of finalists	April 22, 2019	

Please encourage all interested students to participate in this competition. The Kiwanis Club of Gainesville hopes to see many of our local students demonstrate their talents and benefit from this opportunity to obtain scholarship funds to further their education.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact us.

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