

Southwest Michigan
Teen Creative Writing Challenge 2019
Registration Form

Name (First & Last) _____ Age _____

Address (example: 123 Main St, Anytown, MI 49000)

Phone _____

Email (**NOT SCHOOL**) _____

School email addresses will block updates about the contest. Please use a personal email address or a parent's email address.

School _____ Grade _____

Home Library _____

In which category or categories are you interested?

Comics Cover Art Fiction Poetry

Please include your name, school and grade on a separate piece of paper attached to your hard copy entry or in the email that accompanies the digital copy of your entry. All entries will be anonymous when given to the judges.

SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN TEEN CREATIVE WRITING CHALLENGE 2019
FICTION RULES

- Participants may only submit one work in each category per contest. (For example, you may submit both a poem and a story, but not two stories.)
- Writers must be in grades 7-12. Homeschooled writers should be age 12-18 and working at the grade 7-12 level.
- Only stories produced by a single writer are allowed.
- Previously published works will not be accepted.
- Fiction must be 1,200-3,000 words. Handwritten stories will not be accepted. Only black Arial, Helvetica, or Times New Roman fonts, minimum 10-point size, will be accepted. Illustrated stories will not be accepted.
- Stories may be submitted from Friday, February 1 through Friday, April 12.
- Writers must fill out a Registration Form, available online through our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/swmtcwc), website (teencreativewritingchallenge.wordpress.com/registration), or on a paper form available at any participating library by the end of April 12.
- To enter online, email your story to teen.writing.challenge@gmail.com in one of the following formats: .doc, .docx, or .rtf. PDF will not be accepted. Include your name, school, and grade on the work or in the email accompanying the work. You may also share your work on Google Drive.
- You may also hand in hard copy of your work to your local participating public library. Original work will not be returned.
- Hard copy entries must be in the hands of participating library staff by closing time April 12. Emailed entries must be sent to teen.writing.challenge@gmail.com by 11:59 PM April 12.
- Finalists will be announced by email, on the website, and on Facebook on Tuesday, April 30. If a writer does not provide an email address, efforts will be made to contact the winner via phone, mail, or other route.
- Winners will be announced through the same channels on Tuesday, May 7. The Awards Ceremony will take place on Saturday, June 15, 2:00 PM at the Main Library of Cass District Library in Cassopolis.

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POETRY RULES

- Participants may only submit one work in each category per contest. (For example, you may submit both a poem and a story, but not two poems.)
- Writers must be in grades 7-12. Homeschooled writers should be age 12-18 and working at the grade 7-12 level.
- Only poems produced by a single writer are allowed.
- Previously published works will not be accepted.
- Poems must be no longer than 225 lines. Handwritten poems will not be accepted. Only black Arial, Helvetica, or Times New Roman fonts, minimum 10-point size, will be accepted. Illustrated poems will not be accepted.
- Poems may be submitted from Friday, February 1 through Friday, April 12.
- Writers must fill out a Registration Form, available online through our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/swmtcwc), website (teencreativewritingchallenge.wordpress.com/registration), or on a paper form available at any participating library by the end of April 12.
- To enter online, email your poem to teen.writing.challenge@gmail.com in one of the following formats: .doc, .docx, or .rtf. PDF will not be accepted. Include your name, school, and grade on the work or in the email accompanying the work. You may also share your work on Google Drive.
- You may also hand in hard copy of your work to your local participating public library. Original work will not be returned.
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COMICS RULES

- Participants may only submit one work in each category per contest. (For example, you may submit both a comic and a story, but not two comics.)
- Writers/artists must be in grades 7-12. Homeschooled writers/artists should be age 12-18 and working at the grade 7-12 level.
- Comics entries may be the work of a single individual or of a collaboration between one writer and one artist. Cash prizes will be split between co-creators.
- Previously published works will not be accepted.
- Each page must be a minimum of 6"x9", and comics must be at least one full page and no more than 5 pages long. Artwork must be original hand-drawn art, digital art, etc. No clip art, no images from the Internet or elsewhere, no tracing.
- Comics may be submitted from Friday, February 1 through Friday, April 12.
- Writers/artists must fill out a Registration Form, available online through our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/swmtcwc), website (teencreativewritingchallenge.wordpress.com/registration), or on a paper form available at any participating library by the end of April 12.
- To enter online, email your comic to teen.writing.challenge@gmail.com as a high-resolution (at least 300 ppi) image in one of the following formats: .jpg, .pdf, png, or .tif. Include your name, school, and grade in the email accompanying the work—NOT on the work itself. You may also share your work on Google Drive.
- You may also hand in hard copy of your work to your local participating public library. Original work will not be returned.
- Hard copy entries must be in the hands of participating library staff by closing time April 12. Emailed entries must be sent to teen.writing.challenge@gmail.com by 11:59 PM April 12.
- Finalists will be announced by email, on the website, and on Facebook on Tuesday, April 30. If a writer or artist does not provide an email address, efforts will be made to contact the winner via phone, mail, or other route.
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COVER ART RULES

- The winning image in the Cover Art contest will be featured on the cover of the book of winning entries. Second and third-place images will appear inside the book.
- Participants may only submit one work in each category per contest. (For example, you may submit entries for both Cover Art and Comics, but not two for Cover Art.)
- Artists must be in grades 7-12. Homeschooled artists should be age 12-18 and working at the grade 7-12 level.
- Only works produced by a single artist are allowed.
- Previously published works will not be accepted.
- Artwork must be original hand-drawn art, digital art, photography, painting, etc. No clip art, no images from the Internet or elsewhere, no tracing.
- Artwork should be at least 6"x9" and in portrait orientation. Larger images or images with odd dimensions may be adjusted to fit on the cover.
- Artwork may be submitted from Friday, February 1 through Friday, April 12.
- Artists must fill out a Registration Form, available online through our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/swmtcwc), website (teencreativewritingchallenge.wordpress.com/registration), or on a paper form available at any participating library by the end of April 12.
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