

Berks County Young Writers and Artist Competition Contest Rules

SPONSOR: Reading Area Community College, Reading for 100, and the Hawley and Myrtle Quier Fund of Berks County Community Foundation

COORDINATOR: Kristen Marcinko

PURPOSE: Recognition and promotion of high school students' outstanding creative work

ELIGIBILITY: All students currently enrolled in high school, freshman - seniors, in Berks County high schools; students do not have to attend RACC.

THEME: Climate Awareness

COST: Free

GENERAL SUBMISSION RULES:

Students may submit one entry in one genre. No multiple entries

Each entry must be original in concept, design, and execution and be unpublished in any form. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo or image (including a painting, graphic, or advertisement) that was created by someone other than the student is a violation of the competition rules and will not be accepted.

- **DO NOT** place your name or address on any of the pages or artwork.
- Submit **Entry Form/Online Form** with your name, address, telephone (cell)
- e-mail address and titles of work
- Include Statement of Intent: Artist's/Writer's intention for the piece in relationship to the theme

MANUSCRIPT ENTRY RULES:

All written work should be typed, **one-sided only, 12-point font**. Title of entry in upper right-hand corner of all pages.

- Poetry - up to five poems, single or double-spaced
- Creative Non-fiction (personal essay, as example) – one work, typed, any length, double-space
- Fiction – one work any style, up to 5000 words, double-space

ART ENTRY RULES:

Artwork must be two-dimensional.

- Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor

- Drawings: colored pencil, pencil, ink, marker, pastels, charcoal.
Please fix charcoal and pastel drawings before submitting
- Collages: must be two dimensional
- Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
- Mixed Media: use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.
- Computer-generated art
- Accompanying artists statement about the work (500 words)

For the competition, students will submit a high-quality.jpeg of the original work.

DEADLINE: Online submissions is **no later than Friday, April 3**

NOTIFICATION OF WINNERS: Winner will be notified by email and by telephone no later than Friday, May 8. All other contestants will be notified by email.

AWARDS: ONE TIME AWARD. Awards will be sent to the high school and provided to the school principal to distribute to the winner(s).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Please call Kristen Marcinko, Assistant Director of Community and Academic Partnerships, 610.372.4721, ex. 5127, or kmarcinko@racc.edu

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