

Bethesda Urban Partnership and Bethesda Magazine have partnered to honor writers at the Bethesda Literary Festival, April 16-18, 2010.

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Essay & Short Story Contest

Deadline: Feb. 26, 2010

Essay Contest

Topic: What is your approach to life? Reveal your personal philosophy.

Requirements

Essays should be limited to 500 words or less. Submissions must be sent by email as Microsoft Word attachments to essay@bethesda.org. The writer's full name, mailing address, phone number and email address must be in the email and on the first page of the story itself. Submissions without this information will be disqualified.

Eligibility

Residents of Washington, D.C, Maryland and Virginia are eligible. The contest will take entries in two categories: Young Adult (grades 9-12) and Adult (ages 18+). Writers must specify whether they are entering the young adult or the adult contest.

Questions? Please email scoppula@bethesda.org or call 301-215-6660.

Short Story Contest

Topic: Open

Requirements

Stories must be limited to 4,000 words or less. Submissions must be sent by email as Microsoft Word attachments to shortstory@bethesdamagazine.com. The writer's full name, mailing address, phone number and email address must be in the email and on the first page of the story itself. Submissions without this information will be disqualified.

Eligibility

Residents of Montgomery County, MD and Upper NW Washington, DC only are eligible. The contest will take entries in two categories: Young Adult (grades 9-12) and Adult (ages 18+). Writers must specify whether they are entering the young adult or the adult contest.

Questions? Please email katryn.norman@bethesdamagazine.com or call 301-718-7787, ext. 207.

Awards

First place: \$500 and published Short Story & Essay in Bethesda Magazine

Second place: \$250

Third place: \$150

Honorable Mention: \$75

The first place winners will also receive a gift certificate to The Writer's Center.

Each second, third and honorable mention essay and short story will be published on the *Bethesda Magazine* and Bethesda Urban Partnership Web sites. Up to 10 finalists in each category will be honored during the Bethesda Literary Festival.

Young Adult winners receive: \$250, first place; \$100, second place; \$50, third place. *Bethesda Magazine* will print the first place Essay & Short Story.



For more information, please visit www.bethesda.org or www.bethesdamagazine.com.