



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

IMPORTANT: PUBLIC USE OF ENTRIES

By entering this award you acknowledge that your entry may be used in Scribblers Festival publications and for future promotion of the award. Entries may also be displayed at Scribblers Festival and published on the Scribblers Festival website. The title of the entry and author's name will always be acknowledged with the entry when it is used.

- Entry to the Scribblers Festival Golden Pen Awards is free.
- The Golden Pen Awards are open to Western Australian high school-aged students (12-17).
- There are two age-based categories: 12-14 and 15-17.
- Submissions must be an original piece of creative writing, including poetry, creative non-fiction, comics and graphic novels, no longer than 3000 words.
- Submissions outside this word length will be deemed ineligible and removed from judging.
- If the applicant has a longer piece of work, they may submit a section of it, ie one chapter.
- Entries must be the sole work of the entrant. Plagiarising will result in immediate disqualification.
- Entries may be accepted from individuals or from teachers on behalf of their students. Entry is limited to one per person.
- Entered stories must be inspired by, drawn upon, or use the theme of **Discovery**.
- The work must be original, unpublished, not have received an award in another competition, and not be under consideration elsewhere from the time of entry in the awards until official announcement of winners.
- All entries must be accompanied by a completed and signed entry form.
- Forms for children under 16 must have a parent or guardian's electronic/scanned signature of permission on the entry form.
- Entries should be type-written, double-spaced on one side only of A4-size white paper, with pages numbered, a wide left-hand margin, and the story title on each page.
- To ensure anonymity, do not put the writer's name on the manuscript. Personal details should be included on the entry form only. All manuscripts will be destroyed after the competition. Do not send original copies.
- Digital entries must be emailed to: goldenpen@scribblersfestival.com.au in .rtf or .doc or .pdf format, and be accompanied by the completed entry form. Please include "Golden Pen 2019 Entry from [YOUR NAME]" as the subject line.
- Physical entries should be posted in an A4 envelope and must be accompanied by a completed entry form.
Post to: **Scribblers Festival, c/o FORM, PO Box 270 Claremont, WA 6010.**
- Shortlisted writers will be notified by phone or mail before the official online announcement.
- Shortlisted writers will be announced via the Scribblers Festival website in April. Shortlisted writers will be invited to attend Scribblers Festival 11-12 May 2019.
- The overall competition winners will be announced at a public awards event during Scribblers Festival.
- Employees of Scribblers Festival and their family members are ineligible to enter.
- The judges' decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into. Any attempt to lobby judges or Scribblers Festival employees, or influence decisions, may result in disqualification.

PRIZES

Shortlisted Entrants

- Two shortlisted entrants will be selected from each age category.
- Shortlisted entrants will be invited to attend the 2019 Scribblers Festival weekend (11-12 May).
- Shortlisted entrants will receive a ticket to attend the 2019 Scribblers Festival YA Collective on Saturday 11 May 2019.
- Shortlisted entrants will also attend an exclusive masterclass with a visiting author across the Festival weekend (the author will be pre-determined by the Festival).
- Shortlisted entrants will be asked to participate in the public Golden Pen Awards Ceremony on Saturday 11 May where an overall winner will be announced from each age category.
- Shortlisted entrants will receive a certificate of achievement and a book voucher from the Festival bookshop to the value of AUD \$100.

Winning Entrants

- One overall winner will be selected from each age category.
- Winners will be announced at the 2019 Scribblers Festival in the public Golden Pen Awards ceremony on Saturday 11 May.
- An extract from the winning entrants work will be read by one of the attending judges as part of the ceremony.
- Golden Pen winners will receive a cash prize of AUD \$500.
- The cash prize of AUD \$500 will be processed by electronic bank transfer ONLY.
- Winners or their parent/guardian will need to provide bank details of their nominated bank account in order to receive their prize.
- The payment will be processed post Festival (Friday 17 May) and may take 2-3 days to appear in the designated bank account.
- The winners will receive a certificate of achievement and a book voucher from the Festival bookshop to the value of AUD \$100.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE

- A travel allowance is available for shortlisted entrants living in regional areas within driving distance from Perth to assist with travel costs (regional areas are classed as areas 100 – 500km from Perth). Each situation will be assessed separately and at the discretion of the Festival.
- A flight and accommodation package is available for shortlisted entrants and their parent/guardian living in remote regional areas (remote regional areas are classed as areas 500km or more from Perth). Each package will be assessed separately and at the discretion of the Festival.
- If applicable, flights and accommodation will be determined and organised by the Festival. In the event that the shortlisted entrants and their parent/guardian choose not to accept the flights and accommodation arranged by the Festival, the Festival will not be responsible for the travel or accommodation costs.
- All shortlisted entrants must be accompanied by their parent/guardian.
- Spending money, meals, travel to and from departure point are the responsibility of shortlisted entrants and their parent/guardian unless otherwise stipulated.

LIABILITY

The Promoter will not be liable for any loss or damage whatsoever which is suffered (including but not limited to indirect or consequential loss) or for any personal injury suffered or sustained in connection with the prize except for any liability, which cannot be excluded by law.

If for any reason this promotion is not capable of running as planned due to unforeseeable circumstances the Promoter reserves the right in its sole discretion to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the promotion subject to any written directions under applicable legislation.

PRIVACY

In accepting the Prize, the winner and the winner's parent/guardian agrees to participate and co-operate as required in all marketing activities relating to the promotion, including but not limited to being interviewed and photographed for use in various media.

- The winners name, photo and entry will be published on the Scribblers Festival website at scribblersfestival.com.au

The Promoter of the Competition is Scribblers Festival – part of FORM building a State of Creativity, 39 Guger Street, Claremont, WA 6010.

