

## **Horningsea Short Story Competition 2019**

You are invited to enter the inaugural Horningsea Short Story Competition. There are separate classes for young people and adults. This competition is open to all writers, but please check the rules. Entrants are welcome to submit more than one story, but a fee is payable for each entry.

### **Adults' competition: 1st prize £50, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize £25**

Over 16s should submit a short story of a maximum length of 2000 words.

Theme: Borders

### **Competition for writers aged under 12 on May 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. 1<sup>st</sup> prize £20 book token**

Young people aged 12 years and under should submit a story of a maximum length of 500 words.

Theme: Lines

### **Competition for writers aged 12-16 years on May 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. 1<sup>st</sup> prize £50**

Young people aged 12-16 years should submit a story of a maximum length of 1000 words.

Theme: Limits

**Entry fee: £1 for young people; £5 for adults per entry.**

**Deadline May 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 for all age groups.**

### **Rules and conditions.**

All entries must be the original work of the entrant. Stories must not have won a competition before and must not have been published in a paper form.

All stories must be within the word limit for the age group.

All stories must have been delivered by email or by hand before the deadline of midnight on April 30<sup>th</sup> 2019.

All stories must be written in English.

Stories will be judged anonymously, so entrants must not put their name or any other identifying details on their story. Instead, they should include an official entry slip with their story on which they put their name, address and a contact telephone number as well as the title of their story. Pages should be numbered and each page should include the title of the story as a header. Stories without an entry slip or title cannot be judged.

Emailed entries should be sent to: [fran@fransmithwriting.co.uk](mailto:fran@fransmithwriting.co.uk). If you wish to pay the entry fee electronically, you should ask for details when you send your entry.

Entries being delivered by hand can be taken to Catherine Morris at 74 High Street, CB25 9JG and should include the entry fee in cash.

The judges' decisions will be final. Brief comments will be given on the winning children's entries only.

Up to 10 stories will be shortlisted in each category. The shortlist will be made available on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. The winners in each category will be announced at the literary event in the Church on June 8<sup>th</sup>. Winners will be invited to attend and read part of their story aloud at the event, which will include book sales and talks by local authors.

This event is supported by Horningsea Residents' Association.

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**Entry Form**  
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Writer's Name.....

I am entering my story for the Under 12/12-16 years/Adult competition (please circle your choice)

My story's title is.....

I certify that I am of the right age to enter the age group competition I have chosen:

(Signature).....

I enclose my entry fee (£1 for under 16s, £5 for 16s and above)

I wish to pay by Paypal and have contacted [fran@fransmithwriting.co.uk](mailto:fran@fransmithwriting.co.uk) to make the arrangements