

CALLING ALL KIDS!

DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO TELL?

You are the Authors and Illustrators of the Future!

For Parents & Teachers

The Deep Valley Book Festival seeks to encourage young people to express themselves through writing or art. Writing or drawing allows your child to express themselves and strengthen their writing or artistic skills. Not only will they enjoy the experience of participating in this competition, but it helps them grow as a writer or artist at the same time.

An authentic audience is so powerful for students. The Deep Valley Young Writer and Artist Competition (YWAC) is an easy and inspiring way to give kids an authentic audience. The more a child writes or draws, the more confidence they will have in their abilities. Not only are they writing for a real panel of professional judges, but there are awards to strive for!

We ask that you help your child download and follow the rules for entry at: www.deepvalleybookfestival.com. Discuss, guide and encourage them in the process.

The YWAC is sponsored by the Deep Valley Book Festival.

Will you submit a story or drawing to the Deep Valley Young Writer and Artist Competition? The 2024 Young Writer and Artist Competition is open to all young people age 7-18.



Young Writer Competition

Write a story in 1500 words or less using the theme: **Tradition.**

“It’s never too early for kids to think of themselves as professional writers or illustrators,” says local author Rachael Hanel. “Submitting your work to be judged is an important part of the writing or artistic process. Not everyone wins, but persistence after not winning is a characteristic that all published writers and illustrators share. All good work eventually finds a home.”



Young Artist Competition

Choose your favorite book and illustrate your favorite scene from the book.

Rules of Entry It’s easy! Download the entry form and rules at www.deepvalleybookfestival.com. The deadline for entries is **April 30, 2024**.

Prizes! Winners will receive a certificate of award and cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each age group and have their work published in the 2024 DVBF Anthology. Your entry will be judged by a panel of professional authors or artists.

Any questions? Email rhanel@hickorytech.net