



Deep Valley Young Writer Competition

Rules of Entry

To enter you must be between the ages of 7 and 18. Anyone can enter and need not be present to win.

Entry form: Download a copy at www.deepvalleybookfestival.com.

Rules: Write a story in 1500 words or less. This year's theme: **Hero**

Tips:

- Make sure you incorporate the theme into your story.
- Use spellcheck.
- Ask someone to proofread your story for spelling, grammar, and punctuation.

Submission Information: Place the completed entry form along with your story in a large manila envelope. Envelope should be marked Young Writers Competition with your name. Please do not fold your work. Number your pages and your name and age must be clearly written on the top of each page of the story.

This contest is open to ages 7-18 (age as of April 30) and will be judged in the following age categories:

- Ages 7-8
- Ages 9-10
- Ages 11-12
- Ages 13-14
- Ages 15-18

Originality: Your work must be original and unaided.

Number of entries per person: One entry per individual.

Judging: Entries will be judged by age category. Cash awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be presented at the Deep Valley Book Festival on October 7, 2023. In addition to cash awards, the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will receive a copy of their work published in the 2023 YWAC Anthology. Check our website or Facebook page for any news about the competition.

Publicity: All entries along with the author's first name, age and town may be used in publicity. We reserve the right to publish the winning entries. Entries will not be returned. Please keep a copy of your work.

Deadline for entries: April 30, 2023.

Mail entry form to:

DVBF Young Writer Competition
424 Warren St.
Mankato, MN 56001

Drop off entries at:

Blue Earth County Historical Society
424 Warren St., Mankato
Tues. – Fri. 10 am – 4 pm

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For more information, email: rhanel@hickorytech.net



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2023 Entry Form

Please print clearly

Name: _____ Age: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

School Attending: _____

Parent Name: _____ Parent Signature: _____

Story Title: _____

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