

Rehoboth Beach Writers' Guild

Contest for Young Writers Ages 10 to 17*

*must be in high school at time of entry

Deadline: June 1, 2012
Entry Fee: NONE
Prizes: 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place, and Honorable Mentions will be selected for Fiction, Creative Nonfiction, and Poetry in each category; First place winners will be published in the September issue of *Delaware Beach Life* magazine
Categories: Middle School Students, ages 10 to 13
High School Students, ages 14 to 17
* writers do not have to be Delaware residents

Contest Rules:

1. Each story or essay must be 1,500 words or fewer. Up to 3 poems per entry or 150 lines (*total*). Entries can be on any theme, but should not contain sexual or violent material.
2. Attach a Registration form (download from www.rehobothbeachwritersguild.com) to **each** entry Your name should NOT appear on the submission itself.
3. Send **TWO** copies of each entry (including registration form),
4. Age category will be determined by age of author on June 1, 2012.
5. There is no entry fee for this contest. Participants can enter in every category (fiction, creative nonfiction, poetry) but can enter in that category no more than three times. This means a participant can enter up to three stories, up to three essays and up to three poems, but no more.
6. All entries must be typed in 12-point font. They must be original, unpublished, and not submitted elsewhere until the winners are announced. **No email entries.**
7. Submit entry via regular mail on single-sided 8-1/2 x 11 white paper. Entries will not be returned. All entries must be postmarked by June 1, 2012.
8. Winners will be notified by July 5, 2012. If you have not been contacted by this date, you may assume that your entry is not a finalist.
9. First-place winners in each category will be published in the November issue of *Delaware Beach Life*.
10. Winners' names and story titles will appear on the RBWG website by August 1, 2012
www.rehobothbeachwritersguild.com.
11. **MAIL ENTRIES TO: Rehoboth Beach Writer's Guild, Young Writers Contest, PO Box 1326, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971.** For more information about this contest, email contactus@rehobothbeachwritersguild.com

Reading and reception will be held September/ October for all participants, their parents, and teachers.