

Writing Competition Rules ~ YOUNG ADULTS

Chalfont St Giles and Jordans Literary Festival 2020

All entries to be based on ONE of the following topics:

- 1) The Mayflower sailed to America 400 years ago, taking the Pilgrim Fathers who were escaping persecution. Today asylum seekers are leaving the Middle East today to try and make a new life in Europe. Imagine you are escaping from persecution and write a blog about your escape.
- 2) 50 years of fashion: the current trend for 'wear it once and throw it away' is causing more pollution. How would you solve this problem?
- 3) Crime and punishment: does 'crime pay'?

The two categories are:

- **Prose** ~ Fiction or non-fiction, maximum 1000 words
- **Poetry** ~ Maximum 30 lines of verse

Age Category: Young Adult 19 – 22 years

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- All entries to be typed, at least size 12 point font (fancy fonts should be avoided).
 - There should be no illustrations of any kind on the manuscript.
 - Prose entries must be double spaced. Poetry entries must be at least 1.5 line spaced.
 - The pages of each entry should be numbered and should be stapled with a single staple at the top left-hand corner.
 - No names or personal details to be written on the entered scripts, only the title of the piece should appear on the top of EVERY page of the entry.
 - Previously unpublished work to be entered only.
 - The Committee reserves the right to publish any entry.
 - Each entry must have a correctly completed entry form attached to the front of it.
 - Envelopes should be clearly marked on the outside with the following information:
LITERARY FESTIVAL COMPETITION, YOUNG ADULT ENTRY
 - Please enclose a large SAE if entries are to be returned.
 - The decision of the judges is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
 - **Any entries which fail to follow these guidelines will be automatically disqualified.**

*All entries to be sent / delivered to:
Chalfont St Giles Library, High Street,
Chalfont St Giles, HP8 4QA*

**Prize giving to be held at The Memorial Hall, Chalfont St Giles on
Sunday 24th May 2020 at 5.00pm**

Final date for entries ~ Wednesday 15th April 2020

First Prize £75.00

Second Prize £50.00

Third Prize £25.00