

Official Entry Form
10th Annual Arts & Culture Literary Arts Competition

Please print in Blue or Black ink:

Last Name

First Name

Middle Initial

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip

Home Telephone

Email Address

Category (Please check all that apply)

Title, Word Count (Prose) or # of Lines (poetry)

Fiction – Short Story

Creative Nonfiction / Essay

Poetry

I certify that the entry is my original work and neither whole nor part of this entry has been used in any publication except in a classroom or school-sponsored publication (e.g., a class assignment, school publication, etc.). I further grant license for publication on a website by BMCC or in a print publication of winners and finalists if it is an award-winning entry. I understand that the print copy of my work will not be returned to me; therefore, I understand that it is my responsibility to retain a copy of my work for future purposes.

Signature of Applicant

Arts & Culture Series
10th Annual Literary Arts Competition Guidelines

The three writing categories are as follows:

1. Fiction — Short Story
A narrative about one or more characters living through a significant action or experience. The entry should not exceed 2,000 words.
2. Creative Nonfiction — Essay
Essay in the style of a personal/autobiographical/travel/nature narrative or literary journalism. The entry should not exceed 2,000 words.
3. Poetry
One poem or a group of up to three poems (not necessarily related subjects) in any form of poetry (open/closed form or free verse). These items will be judged individually. Each poem should appear on a separate page, typed, and single-spaced. Each poem should not exceed 60 lines.

General Eligibility Requirements:

1. A contestant must be a student currently enrolled at BMCC during the 2017 academic year. Entries from full-time BMCC employees are not eligible for this writing competition.
2. Entries must be original, non-published work; student works from classroom or school-sponsored publications, such as a school newspaper or classroom assignment, are eligible. Only one entry per category may be submitted by each individual.
3. Entries must be received by Heather Gastin no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 21, 2017. Location: Pioneer Hall P170.

Specific Entry Requirements:

1. The manuscript should be typed in double-spaced format (except for poetry) on one side of 8 ½ x 11 white paper.
2. Type font should be Times New Roman 12 point, with one-inch margins on all four sides of the page.
3. The title should appear on the first page of an essay or short story and above each poem. There should be no separate title page. Pages should be numbered consecutively.
4. There should be no student name or other identifying marks on any page other than the Official Entry Form, which is attached as the cover page.
5. Entries should be addressed as follows: emailed as a Word document to hgastin@bluecc.edu with Writing Competition in the subject line.
6. They may also be mailed to BMCC, 2411 NW Carden Ave, PO Box 100, Pendleton, OR 97801. Attn: Heather Gastin

Competition Awards: \$50 bookstore credit for the winner in each category plus one grand prize winner will receive \$200.

Finalists and Award-Winners: the finalists & winners will be notified via email, with awards & readings in the BMCC Library. All participants for this contest will be notified of the time & date for the awards & readings.

Contact Information: Heather Gastin, 278 5944 or email hgastin@bluecc.edu.

If you have any questions about this writing competition, please contact one of the following writing instructors:

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