



Short Story Competition Entry Form 2017



Dear English Coordinators, Teacher Librarians and Budding Writers,

I would like to invite students from your school to submit entries for the **2017 Whitsunday Voices Youth Literature Festival Short Story Competition**. Students are free to respond to a theme or topic of their choice and there is no limit to the number of entries allowed by each student.

Thanks to our partner, **Friends of Mackay Libraries**, for their very generous cash prizes and assistance.

The categories of the Competition and the respective word requirements are outlined below:

- Years 3 and 4: 300 – 400 words – 1st Prize - \$70.00, 2nd Prize - \$30.00
- Years 5 and 6: 300 – 500 words – 1st Prize - \$80.00, 2nd Prize - \$50.00
- Years 7 and 8: 400 – 600 words – 1st Prize - \$100.00, 2nd Prize - \$50.00
- Years 9 and 10: 600 – 800 words – 1st Prize - \$200.00, 2nd Prize - \$70.00
- Years 11 and 12: 800 – 1200 words – 1st Prize - \$250.00, 2nd Prize - \$100.00

Entries will be judged by a panel comprising representatives from **Friends of Mackay Libraries Incorporated**. The winners will be notified via email approximately three weeks prior to the Whitsunday Voices Festival and will be publically announced at the Festival Launch on **Wednesday 12th July, 2017**. The full list of winners and their short stories will also be published on the Whitsunday Voices website.

There is no limit to the number of entries allowed by each student. However, each entry must be:

- Word-processed on one side of paper – 1.5 spacing;
- Original;
- Stapled and attached to an entry form (see overleaf);
- Within the set word requirements (please put a word count at the end of the story).

It would also be helpful if any identifying details (such as the entrant's name and school) do not appear on the story itself and only be included on the entry form.

Please feel free to copy and distribute this form. Please keep a copy of your submissions as unfortunately entries cannot be returned.

The closing date for the competition is 3pm on Friday 19th May, 2017. All entries must be received by this date to be considered for judging.

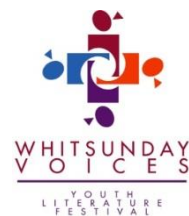
If you have any questions about this competition, please feel free to contact me on 4969 2041 or email me at dca@was.qld.edu.au. Thank you for your assistance in the celebration and promotion of literature!

Kind regards

David Cameron

Acting Head of English and Languages

Whitsunday Voices Festival Committee



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Title of Work: _____

Name: _____

Year Level: _____ School: _____

School Contact Phone Number: _____

Home Contact Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Publishing Permission:

- I agree to allow my short story to be published on the Whitsunday Voices website
- I do not wish to have my short story published on the Whitsunday Voices website

Entrant's Signature: _____

Signature of Teacher or Parent: _____

**Entries should be mailed to:
Mr David Cameron
C/o Whitsunday Voices Youth Literature Festival
Short Story Competition
P.O. Box 3390
North Mackay Q 4740**

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