

The 2019 Somerset National Novella Writing Competition

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Important – please read carefully

- A The Somerset National Novella Writing Competition is open to ALL current secondary students attending school in Australia. Students receiving home schooling are eligible to enter. Entrants must be under 19 years of age as at date of close of entries on 7 December 2018.
- B The entry must be the student's original work.
- C Length of Novella should be no less than 8,000 words and no more than 20,000 words. Please note that this word limit has been reduced. If you have any queries in relation to this, please email events@storyfest.com.au
- D Each entry must be typed, double spaced on single sided A4 size sheets of paper. Pages must be numbered. Please ensure that each entry is carefully proofread before it is forwarded for judging. Please note that the entrant's name must not appear on the work itself.
- E Each entry must be submitted online. Entries will not be accepted without full payment of \$20.00
- F Entries by facsimile, mail or email will not be accepted.
- G Entrants are advised to retain a copy for your records.
- H The sponsors will have first publication rights to the work of any of the finalists.
 - i) The State winners will receive personalised advice on their winning manuscripts from Penguin Random House (Australia).
 - ii) Accompanying the monetary prize will be a full editorial report on the National winning manuscript courtesy of Penguin Random House (Australia).
- I General comments will be provided to entrants via a letter after judging is completed (at the end of March). Judges are unable to provide personalised feedback on a student's work.
- J State Finalists will be selected: Queensland, New South Wales/Australian Capital Territory, Victoria/Tasmania, South Australia/Northern Territory and Western Australia.
- K State winners will have the opportunity to attend Somerset Storyfest, be billeted by students of the Somerset Wordsmiths' Club, and attend the events at the Somerset Storyfest over the three days, where the National winner will be announced. This decision will be at the discretion of the competition organisers.
- L The State and National winners will be listed on our web site, <u>www.storyfest.com.au</u> after they have been personally notified.
- M The judges' decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

There will be monetary prizes awarded to all State winners and one prize of \$2,500 will be awarded to the National winner

ENTRIES CLOSE: 7 December 2018 at 5.00pm

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