



NEW THIS YEAR!!

HIGH SCHOOL WRITERS' COMPETITION

Sponsored by NY Times bestselling author
and 2011 Write On The River keynote speaker, Chelsea Cain

SHORT FICTION

A short story (or the first chapter from a novel) 1000 word limit

The winner will receive a \$100 cash award, a special "writers' gift," and free attendance at the Write On The River Conference Youth Writers Workshop, May 19, 2012.

Only \$10 per entry, all submissions due by March 30, 2012

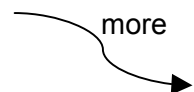
The winning writer will be announced by April 20. **Write On The River** reserves the right to re-print winning submissions on our website, www.writeontheriver.org, and at the Write On The River Conference. All entrants are eligible for a discount on the May 19 Youth Writers Workshop.

THE RULES (Entries not adhering to these guidelines may be disqualified)

- ___ 1. Type your entry (double spaced, in a 12-point standard font) on 8.5x11 white paper.
- ___ 2. Use paper clips only; do not staple manuscript pages, entry forms, or checks.
- ___ 3. Title and number each page. Author's name must **NOT** appear on the manuscript
- ___ 4. Use standard 1 inch margins (please no "extra" first page space above the title.)
- ___ 5. Entries must be in English and previously unpublished (exception: one's own website)

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THE CRITERIA



Our judges will carefully read and evaluate each eligible manuscript. Each piece will be judged with attention to **idea** (a provocative and insightful theme), **organization and development** (narrative flow), **expression** (voice, word choice, fluency) and **conventions** of grammar and spelling.

ENTERING YOUR WORK

Send a check for \$10 with each entry submitted for the competition. You may send as many entries as you like, each with a separate form and fee. Use the entry form below. Sorry, no online entries – use mail only.

All entries must be the original work of the submitting party, who must be a high school age student within the North Central Educational Service District. (Immediate family members of **Write On The River** Directors are not eligible for competition prizes.)

Need more information? Contact info@writeontheriver.org or call 509.293.9215

2012 High School Writers Entry Form

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Address _____

How did you first learn about this competition? _____

Home schooled? _____ OR What school do you attend? _____

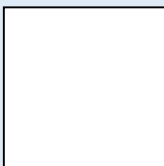
What grade are you in? ____ What is your age? ____

Title of Entry: _____ #of words _____

Is this a complete short story? _____ OR the first chapter of a novel? _____

Entry Fee \$10 (check only -- if on a family account, include student's name)
Amount attached _____

Entries must be postmarked by March 30, 2012. Send your manuscript, this form, and your check to:



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