Ringling College of Art & Design Holds Free-to-Enter Global Creative Writing Contest for High School Students

Ringling College of Art & Design recently launched the “Storytellers of Tomorrow” worldwide creative writing contest for high school students. Winners will receive iPads, cash prizes and a chance to get recognized for creative writing work.

SARASOTA, Fla. (PRWEB) November 26, 2018 -- Sarasota-based Ringling College’s premier Creative Writing Program is in search of the best young Storytellers of Tomorrow. "Story's at the heart of all we do," says Contest Founder and Creative Writing Program Ringleader, Ryan Van Cleave. The contest categories include: Genre, Literary and Nonfiction stories. Aspiring young writers dreaming of creating the next Harry Potter series or becoming the next John Green are encouraged to enter the competition as should high school students pondering a career in writing. Award-winning author Jane Yolen—a recent guest author to Ringling College—knows the value of opportunities like this. “Being a well-published writer and having a 60-year career in writing is like entering contests over and over again because a manuscript is sent out and as often as not does NOT win (getting published is a win).” Yolen has authored over 350 children’s books and is still going strong.

Enter to Win iPad and Cash Prizes:
Nothing to Lose – Everything to Gain
The worldwide High School Writing Contest offers students the chance of getting their work previewed and possibly published -- a rare opportunity for young writers. Former contest winner, KyKye Knorr offers this advice to high school students: “You have nothing to lose and everything to gain by entering the contest.” According to former contest judge and award-winning novelist Todd Pierce, "Contests like this build a bridge and open a dialogue between high school students and college programs focused in creative writing. It's a great first step for students looking to expose their voice to the world at large."

Winners in each category of the 2018 “Storytellers of Tomorrow” contest receive:
- 1st prize: $150 & a Ringling College of Art and Design t-shirt & iPad plus an iPad for the winner’s high school writing teacher’s classroom
- 2nd prize: $100 & a Ringling College of Art and Design t-shirt
- 3rd prize: $50 & a Ringling College of Art and Design t-shirt

"Last year we received over 225 entries that came from 6 countries on three different continents. We hope to inspire more high school students globally to participate,” says Van Cleave, who adds that, “this free-to-enter contest is exactly the type of writing opportunity I needed back when I was just starting out.” High school students—including students of virtual high schools, home schools, and English high schools outside the US—are encouraged to send their short stories, scripts, comics or graphic texts -- up to 2,000 words to: creativewriting(at)ringling(dot)edu (please include “Storytellers of Tomorrow 2018” in the subject line) On social media, follow and join the conversation: #CreativeWritingContestRCAD

Submission Details:
October 15, 2018 – Jan 15, 2019
(Winners will be notified in February 2019)

About Ringling College of Art + Design - Creative Writing Program
Like our contest? You’ll love our premier creative writing program! At Ringling College, we help student
writers unleash the power of the written word no matter what medium they choose.

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