SAN GABRIEL VALLEY DISTRICT OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST

Share Your Story. Inspire the World!

♡ Club Members & Students Welcome! ♡

Write Your Story!

LET YOUR IMAGINATION SHINE!

CLUB MEMBER COMPETITION
(Club size is not a consideration)

PROSE
Maximum 2,000 words

- Short Story
- Essay
- Memoir
- Inspirational
- Skit/Play
- Children's Story

POETRY
8 to 30 lines

- Haiku
- Whimsical
- Limerick
- Inspirational
- Poetry for Children

STUDENT COMPETITION
Each student may enter no more than one (1) short story and one (1) poem for competition.

GRADE DIVISIONS

CATEGORY 1	CATEGORY 2	CATEGORY 3	CATEGORY 4
GRADES K, 1, 2	GRADES 3, 4, 5	GRADES 6, 7, 8	GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

RULES FOR CLUB MEMBER & STUDENT COMPETITIONS

1. Authors must be amateur; earnings from writing not to exceed $500 annually. Entries may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works. **Entries must be typed and double-spaced to be considered for State contest** Please use minimum margins of (1) inch, using 8½x11-inch white paper, one side only.
2. Entries must be written during the Contest Year, Jan. – Dec. 2026.
3. Word limit for Prose is 2,000 words.
4. Poetry minimum length of (8) lines and maximum of (30) lines.
5. TOP RIGHT CORNER *Place Author's Name, Address, Telephone number, Email, Name of Club, District Or School, Grade, Address, Parent or Teacher's Email address.
6. Title of Entry, Number of words (prose) or Number of lines (poetry)
7. Submit four (4) copies BY MAIL OR ONE COPY BY EMAIL of Entry AND Creative Writing Release AND Parent/Minor Publicity Release (if applicable) To: Creative Writing Chairperson on or before February 1, 2027.
8. One First Place winner in Each Category will be sent to CFWC for further competition.

IMPORTANT DATES

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES:
FEBRUARY 1, 2027
Turn in to SGVD Chairperson at meeting or mail to the address below.

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY:
FEBRUARY 1, 2027

MAIL ENTRIES TO:
San Gabriel Valley District
1142 So. Diamond Bar Blvd. #861
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY

1 EMAIL:
District@SGVD.org
One double spaced copy with name, grade and school. See items 1-7 listed above under Rules.

OR

2 MAIL:
Four (4) double spaced copies to:
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AWARDS & RECOGNITION

ADULT WINNERS
Will receive certificates and recognition at District Convention.

STUDENT WINNERS
Will receive ribbons and certificates delivered to their school.

ONE FIRST PLACE WINNER IN EACH CATEGORY WILL BE FORWARDED TO CFWC FOR FURTHER COMPETITION!

Write from the heart!

Your words have the power to inspire, encourage and make a difference!

QUESTIONS? Contact your Club President or SGVD Creative Writing Chairperson.

We can't wait to read your amazing work!