



MGCCC 2018-2019 Writing Competition

CATEGORIES: *Students may enter one work per category, with the exception of the poetry categories, in which they may enter two poems per category. Students may enter as many categories as they choose.*

Free-Verse Poetry: Each free-verse entry should be no longer than 100 lines. Up to **two** entries for this category.

Fixed-Verse Poetry: Each fixed-form entry should be no longer than 100 lines and may take the form of a sonnet, villanelle, sestina, cinquain, pantoum, haiku, etc. Up to **two** entries for this category.

Short Story: Short stories should be no longer than 3,000 words, and should be double-spaced with page numbers.

Personal Essay: Essay types include description, illustration/exemplification, comparison-contrast, narrative, classification, process, cause-effect, definition, or editorial/political opinion. An entry should be formatted according to basic MLA guidelines and no longer than 2,000 words.

Critical Essay: Critical Essays should be documented correctly according to MLA/APA guidelines and should be no longer than 2,000 words (not including Works Cited page).

Comic Strip: Original comic strip/story no longer than 10 standard pages (book pages will print in 9x6 in. format).

****Entry DUE DATE: February 8, 2019****

Submit electronically: writingcontest@mgccc.edu

Subject line heading: Competition Entry

Winners will be notified by early April via email and will be invited to read an excerpt from their work during the writing ceremony. Winners will be published in the latest issue of *illumination*.

Be sure to include *only* the following on the top left-hand corner of your entry:

Title of Manuscript (in italics)

Category entered

Confirmation of Work:

This work was originally written by me, _____, and has not been submitted to, or published in, any other print or online publication (including blogs or personal websites). By signing above, I agree that it is permissible for the judges of this contest to judge my work against other works in its category. Should my entry win an award in its category, I also permit MGCCC to publish my winning entry in the 2018-2019 edition of the MGCCC Literary Journal.

Complete and email this form as an attachment with your submission(s).

Student's Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Title(s) of Work(s): _____ **Category:** _____

Student's Mailing Address: _____

Student's Email: _____

Name of MGCCC Campus: _____

Name of Instructor: _____

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