



Connecticut Authors and Publishers Association
Presents the 2009–2010 Writing Competition
Deadline for Entry: December 18, 2009

PRIZES

First Place: \$100
Second Place: \$50
in each of four categories

Poetry



Short
Story



Personal
Essay



Children's
Story

The Rules

1. The competition is open to all. (Entries were formerly restricted to include only Connecticut residents.) All entries must be original and previously unpublished.
2. **Entries must be postmarked by December 18, 2009.**
3. The entry fee is \$10 per short story or personal essay or children's story and \$10 for up to 3 poems. You may submit as many entries as you like. **Each entry (e.g., each poem, each short story, each essay, each children's story) must be accompanied by a separate entry form.** You may send one check for all entries.
4. Manuscripts must conform to the following requirements; entries that do not conform will be disqualified:
 - All manuscripts must be typewritten and double-spaced on one side of 8 ½ x 11 paper. **Submit FOUR copies** of each manuscript. (Staple multi-page manuscripts separately if necessary.)
 - Your name or any other identifying information must not appear on the manuscript itself. Instead, specify the title of your work in the space provided on the entry form. (For untitled poetry, specify the first line on the entry form.)
 - The first page of each submission must include the title of the work; also, indicate the word count (line count for poetry) in the upper right corner of the first page.
 - Manuscript length/word count:
 - Poetry – 30 lines maximum
 - Short Story – 2,000 words maximum
 - Personal Essay – 1,500 words maximum
 - Children's Story – 2,000 words maximum with NO Illustrations, Drawings or Graphics
5. Manuscripts will not be returned. If you would like confirmation that your entry has been received, use the Confirmation Delivery option from the Post Office (not Registered mail); or include your email address on the entry form.
6. Winners will be notified personally and publicly announced at the March 2010 CAPA monthly meeting. If you have not been contacted by March 1, 2010, you may assume that your entry is not a finalist and may be marketed elsewhere. Please check our website by the end of October to view the winning entries.
7. Winning entries will be published in a special issue of *The Authority*, CAPA's monthly newsletter.
8. Officers of CAPA Board of Directors, members of the Competition committee, and Competition judges are not eligible to enter the Competition.

For information visit www.aboutcapa.com or email capacompetition@yahoo.com



Connecticut Authors and Publishers Association
 2009–2010 Writing Competition
 Official Entry Form

Entries must be postmarked by December 18, 2009.

Name				
Address				
	<i>Street or P.O Box</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP</i>
Phone	()	[] Day	[] Evening	

If you would like to receive a confirmation of your entry, the list of winners and information about next year's competition via email, provide us with your email address:

Complete one entry form for each individual entry.

Title (or first line, for untitled poetry)	Indicate category			
	Poetry	Story	Essay	Children Story

Entry Fee: \$10 per story or essay or children's story manuscript
Maximum length: 2,000 words per short story; 1,500 words per essay; 2,000 words per children's story with NO Illustrations
 \$10 for up to 3 poems (Examples: 2 poems = \$10; 3 poems = \$10; 4 poems = \$20; 6 poems = \$20; etc.)
Maximum length: 30 lines per poem

I am submitting a total of _____ entries.

Total entry fee enclosed: \$ _____

Make your check payable to The Connecticut Authors and Publishers Association. Do not send cash.

My entries are original and unpublished.

 Signature

Mail your entry to: CAPA, Competition 2009-2010
 c/o Daniel Uitti; 223 Buckingham Street; Oakville, CT 06779

For information visit www.aboutcapa.com or email capacompetition@yahoo.com