

Entry Form

FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS



Please type or print legibly, no cursive.

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____

Child's School (or if homeschooled, write so): _____

Child's Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Grade: ☐ Kindergarten ☐ 1st Grade ☐ 2nd Grade ☐ 3rd Grade ☐ 4th Grade ☐ 5th Grade

Title of Story: _____

Number of Words: _____ (The word count includes "a," "an," "and," "the" etc.)

Word count range: ☐ Grades K-1 minimum-50, maximum-200 ☐ Grades 2-3 minimum-100, maximum-350
☐ Grades 4-5 minimum- 150, maximum-450

Number of Illustrations: _____ (minimum of 5)

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

Only one entry per child • Only single author stories (no co-authors) • Story must be original work of the child • Original art can include drawings, collages, and photos taken by the author • Story may be fact or fiction, prose or poetry • No violent or graphic content • Paper size: 8-1/2 by 11 inches • Use only one side of the paper • Clearly number each page • Text must be printed/written legibly or typed • Children who can't write may dictate their story to be printed or typed • Invented spelling is accepted • Story text may be on pages with illustrations or on separate pages • Word count does not include words on nonstory pages (e.g. title page) or those that enhance illustrations • **FIRST NAME ONLY, NO LAST NAME, NO PICTURE OF CHILD in the story title/story. Do not write school name in the story.**

IF YOUR CHILD'S ENTRY DOES NOT MEET ALL THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS, IT MAY NOT BE PUBLISHED.

☐ I acknowledge that I have read and understood the Showcase rules & regulations prior to signing this.

Required:

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Email Address: _____ Date: _____

If different from the above address:

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____

DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: March 31, 2026 (postmarked/uploaded)

ONLINE ENTRY PREFERRED

AustinPBS.org/writers

- 1) Complete online entry form
- 2) Upload story with illustrations (PDF only, no JPEGs)
- 3) 15 MB MAX upload size

ENTER BY MAIL:

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Writers Showcase
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Austin, TX 78714

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