

Through our Words:

2nd Creative Writing Contest in Spanish

A Spanish Language Writing Contest open to all students Grades 5-12 in the state of Nebraska

Sponsored by the Department of Foreign Languages and the Office of Latino/Latin American Studies (OLLAS) at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and the Nebraska Humanities Council

Latinos and Latin American immigrants make up about 12% of Nebraska population. Their language as well as their contributions to urban and rural communities can be found everywhere. The Department of Foreign Languages and the Office of Latino/Latin American Studies at the University of Nebraska at Omaha have launched the 2nd Creative Writing Contest in Spanish to celebrate the Spanish language and encourage its creative use among bilingual, heritage speakers, and speakers of Spanish as a second language.

Submissions:

This year's selected genres are poetry and comics (historieta). Poems and comics (historieta) submissions will be accepted until March 4, 2011. Poetry entries should be 10-30 lines long.

Authors are encouraged to submit:

- ◆ Poems using everyday words and expressions (conversational poetry)
- ◆ Poems telling a story (narrative poetry)
- ◆ Poems that read like prose (poemas en prosa)
- ◆ Comics entries should feature original artwork and between 50 and 350 words.

Categories:

- ◆ Grades 5 & 6
- ◆ Grades 7 & 8
- ◆ Grades 9 & 10
- ◆ Grades 11 & 12

Send electronic submissions to:

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Indicate "Creative Writing Contest" on Subject line

Or mail submissions to:

Creative Writing Contest
c/o Claudia Garcia, AS 301R
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Awards:

- ◆ There will be a first and second prize for each category and genre. Prizes will include electronic and print books, e-dictionaries, and art supplies.
- ◆ Honorary mentions will receive award certificates
- ◆ The Awards Ceremony will take place at the UNO campus in April 2011 (date to be announced).
- ◆ Award-winning entries will be translated into English and displayed in original and translated version at UNO Criss Library Main Floor Gallery in May/June, 2011.

Deadline: March 4, 2011

For more information go to:

<http://www.unomaha.edu/ollas/writingcontest.php>

