

# Through our Words:

## Hands, Minds and Hearts at Work

### 3rd Annual 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, the Masters of Arts in Language Teaching (MALT) Program, the Office of Latino/Latin American Studies (OLLAS), the College of Arts and Sciences 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 3rd Annual 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 short story and illustrated short story.

- ◆ All submissions must be 250 – 600 words long.
- ◆ Illustrations may be black and white, or color in any media. No clip art will be accepted.
- ◆ Co-authored works and author-illustrator teams welcome.
- ◆ Submission deadline: March 24, 2012.

#### **Categories:**

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

#### **Send electronic submissions to:**

csgarcia@mail.unomaha.edu

Indicate "Creative Writing Contest" on Subject line

#### **For more information go to:**

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

#### **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 2012 (date to be announced).
- ◆ Award-winning entries will be translated into English and displayed in original and translated versions at UNO Criss Library Main Floor Gallery in May/June, 2012.

#### **Or mail submissions to:**

Creative Writing Contest  
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