

Manzanita Writers Press Announces

A Writing Contest for the new collection:

A Literary Taste of Elegance ~ Wine, Cheese, and Chocolate

Submit elegant, literary writing with wine, cheese, or chocolate subject matter incorporated into the work in an artistic way.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please follow these **GUIDELINES** when submitting work for the contest:

Submissions close Dec. 31, 2011. Submit work electronically to mrosemanza@jps.net by 11:30 PM on Dec. 31, 2011. Send a \$10.00 check per entry made out to Manzanita Writers Press by the deadline to Manzanita Writers Press, PO Box 632, San Andreas, CA 95249. For questions, please email queries. mrosemanza@jps.net or lindafield@sbcglobal.com

General Instructions

- All writers must submit their original works or previously published work with permissions to reprint granted. Paste in the Rights Statement with each submission. Previously published work is fine. Must have attributions attached for previous publication.
- Prizes will be awarded in each of three categories: poetry, prose, and art/photography. We also award payment in copies. We notify within three months after the deadline.
- An entry constitutes: 2 poems, OR 2 short prose pieces, OR 2 artworks/photos.
- 1st prize, \$200, 2nd prize \$100. Honorable mentions will receive 2 copies. All prize-winners will be included in the book. Honorable mentions may also be included in the book by editorial decision.
- Electronic Submission Only for entries. Mail \$10.00 submission fee to the press. Manzanita, PO Box 632, San Andreas, CA 95249
- Cover letter, bio, and submission can all be included in the body of the email.

When submitting by email, follow these requirements:

1) **E-mail text** must include a **brief biographical statement (50 words only)**, **contact information** (address, phone, e-mail) and **RIGHTS statement** (pasted into each submission e-mail--see RIGHTS STATEMENT below).

2) All literature and art work must be submitted by e-mail and attachments must be pasted into the body of the email.

3) Send a separate e-mail for each submission and label as follows: Subject Line must include the word contest and : a)Genre b)Last name, first name c) Title of work
Example: WCC Contest-Poetry-Bard, Jason-Foothill Lament

4) Let us know when you send the \$10.00 entry fee by snail mail to Manzanita Writers Press, PO Box 632, San Andreas, CA 95249. Entries are only eligible if the entry fee is paid.

Poetry Submissions

Submit with single spacing as the poem will appear on the page. Place poet's last name and title of each poem in top right corner--please type in "stanza break" if the poem stanza splits and continues to a second page. Note: unusual formatting of poems or unusually long lines may be problematic.

Poetry must be 40 or fewer lines - lines should fit within a 6 x 9 format with 1 and 1/2 margins--watch line lengths.

Prose Submissions

Times New Roman, 12 pt. font, double-spaced. Embed in the email. Have the writer's name, address, word count, etc. and title of work/genre at the top left of the document. Please submit rights and bio statements below the entry in the email.

Short Fiction/Nonfiction Submissions

2 prose pieces per \$10.00 entry. Additional submissions should be accompanied in \$10.00 increments.

Fiction or nonfiction must be 1,000 or fewer words.

Short shorts (flash fiction) must be 700 words or fewer.

Prose word count does not include title and byline.

Proofread all work carefully.

Art and Photography

Submit Color or Black and White Photography/ Color Photography/ and Art Submissions by email.

For review, submit work for viewing or a link to art work to be viewed, or as an attachment as follows: JPEG (.jpg) high resolution, minimum 300 dp. Small size: 3-5 inches.

Mail photos or art copies to Manzanita PO Box 632 San Andreas, CA 95249

Or drop off at the Arts Council Gallery and office at 22 Main St., San Andreas, CA located next to the Historic Courthouse and Museum.

Note: The book text is black and white with a glossy, color cover. Color artwork and photography need good contrast, resolution, and clarity to be reproduced in black and white or color. We will have color, glossy interior pages throughout.

Keep in mind that artwork may either be in color or black and white, but we prefer color. Line drawings, charcoal, etchings, woodcuts, etc. are welcome.

- If work is selected, a TIFF file of that artwork (tif) a larger file will be required upon request.
- Submit work with excellent resolution and clarity.

Writer/Artist Notification

Manzanita reports on acceptance via e-mail within 3 months of the deadline, Dec. 31, 2011.

If your work is accepted for publication you will be notified by e-mail.

You may not receive verification of receipt of the work, so it is up to the contributor to confirm receipt with a query.

We reserve the right to edit work for obvious errors. We will contact you.

Please promptly notify us of any address or e-mail changes throughout the reading period.

For more information, and for sample poems, visit the web site:
www.manzanitalifornia.org ~ Contact Monika Rose, Editor:
mrosemanza@jps.net Send poems directly to email link.