



*The La Verne Writers'  
Group and the City of La Verne Present*

**The Third Annual  
La Verne Residents' Writing Contest**

ENTRY DEADLINE: February 3, 2018

Please print all information clearly and legibly

**ENTRY FORM**

Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_; Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility: (Please circle) YOUTH (12 - 17) ADULT - 18 & up)

(Please circle one) La Verne resident; La Verne middle or high school student;

Employee of a La Verne school or business

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Story Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Word Count: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that the La Verne Writers' Group may take photographs of me/my child during the awards ceremony on Saturday, March 10, 2018. I hereby consent to the use of such photographs for use in future promotions.

Parent/Guardian/Adult Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Unsigned Entry Forms will not be accepted

For questions or additional information, please contact the La Verne Writers' Group at  
LVWG2015@gmail.com

## Contest Rules

### Entries that do not meet the following guidelines will be disqualified

1. Categories: Youth - ages 12 to 17; Adults - ages 18 and up.
2. Eligibility: La Verne residents; La Verne middle and high school students; employees of La Verne schools and businesses
3. Only one story accepted per participant.
4. Stories must be written solely by contestant.
5. All genres will be accepted. Please do not send vulgar or obscene pieces.
6. Stories may be no longer than 1,500 words.
7. Entries must be submitted in the following format:
  - A. Typed in font size 12 in Arial or Times New Roman;
  - B. Double-spaced; and
  - C. Include a header stating the story name and page number.
8. Contest entries are limited to the first 50 received and will be accepted from Monday, January 8, through midnight on Saturday, February 3, 2018. Entries received after this date will not be judged.
9. Award winners will be contacted by email.
10. Cash prizes will be awarded at the Annual Local Authors' Event held on Saturday, March 10, 2018.
  - A. YOUTH:
    - a. First - \$75 cash prize and author will be invited to read at the Annual Authors' event;
    - b. Second - \$50 cash prize; and
    - c. Third - \$25 cash prize.
  - B. ADULT:
    - a. First - \$75 cash prize and author will be invited to read at the Annual Authors' event;
    - b. Second - \$50 cash prize; and
    - c. Third - \$25 cash prize.

Selected stories from both categories may be published in an anthology.

## **RUBRIC**

All entries will be judged by the La Verne Writers' Group members in adherence to the following criteria:

- A. Formatting;
- B. Proper punctuation and grammar;
- C. Characterization;
- D. Consistent narration, point-of-view;
- E. Proper use of dialogue; and
- F. Logical conclusion.

## **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

- 1. Fill out the entry form clearly and legibly.
- 2. Make sure the form is signed by the appropriate individual.
- 3. Applicant's name **MUST NOT** appear on any part of the story document.
- 4. Submit your entry:
  - 1 - By email to [LVWG2015@gmail.com](mailto:LVWG2015@gmail.com);
  - 2 - By mail to: LVWG Writing Contest  
Community Services Department  
City of La Verne  
3660 "D" Street  
La Verne, CA 91750
  - 3 - You may also hand-deliver your entry to the Community Services Department or place it in their drop box.
- 6. No notification will be made of accepted entries. No entries will be returned. Only the participants with winning entries will be notified.

Any and all guidelines may be modified at the discretion  
of the La Verne Writers' Group