2018
GRADUATE
CREATIVE WRITING AWARDS

Deadline: Noon, Monday, February 26, 2018

The English Department sponsors and administers two annual graduate creative writing competitions.

**Short Fiction:** Hobart L. and Mary Kay Peer Fiction Prize, $1000; Josephine M. Bresee Memorial Award, $500.

**Poetry:** Hobart L. and Mary Kay Peer Poetry Prize, $1000; Hobart L. and Mary Kay Peer Memorial Award, $500.

Contest rules are as follows:

**Short Fiction:** no contestant may submit more than one unpublished story (7500 words, maximum length)

**Poetry:** no contestant may submit more than 200 lines, as a single unpublished poem or a group of unpublished poems

Only University of Illinois graduate students enrolled in an English Department program are eligible to compete for the two Poetry awards and the first-place award in Fiction (Hobart L. and Mary Kay Peer Fiction Prize). Any UIUC graduate student may apply for the Josephine M. Bresee Memorial Award in Fiction. To be considered for a prize, submissions must adhere to the following rules. All submissions must be sent to the following email address: sdavenpo@illinois.edu. Depending on your entry (poetry or fiction), the subject line of your email message must read as follows: GRAD POETRY or GRAD FICTION (not both). If you enter in both categories (poetry and fiction), you will need to send separate emails. Your name, address, phone number, e-mail address, net id, status (grad), and UIN number must appear in the body of the email. Your fiction OR poetry entry is to be contained in one attachment (doc, docx, or rtf only), the name of which must be as follows: contest category followed by your last name, such as FICTIONJONES or POETRYJONES. Your name should not appear in the attachment itself.

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