

The Homer F. Plante Creative Writing Awards 2018

"Spirit quickened, energies released: patience and discipline to see the real Here, and from that ordered base - the soaring. It is possible. In that possible is our peace."

- Homer Plante



The Department of English Language, Literature & Creative Writing is once again sponsoring the annual Homer F. Plante Creative Writing Awards Competition

During Professor Plante's twenty-three years with the University of Windsor, his enthusiasm and innovative teaching, based upon the belief that education should make people better than they would otherwise be, served as an inspiration to his colleagues and students. He was especially interested in developing the imaginative potential of young writers and was among the first in Canada to see the value of teaching Creative Writing at the University level. He also foresaw the importance of making Canadian students aware of their own literary heritage and was a pioneer in including Canadian authors in his courses. It is to perpetuate Homer Plante's ideals and to foster continuing emphasis upon the importance of creativity and original thinking that these awards are offered to senior high school students in his name.

ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to all grade 12 students in Windsor and Essex County.

RULES

- I. ONE prize for best poetry (\$175.00) AND ONE prize for best fiction (\$175.00).
- II. Applicants may submit up to 5 poems and/or a work of fiction (fiction submissions should not exceed 4000 words in length).
- III. All submissions must be unsigned but should include the writer's name, address, year, and school in a separate sealed envelope enclosed with the manuscript.
- IV. Since no submissions will be returned, applicants should retain copies of their work.

If you are also applying to the W.O. Mitchell prize c/o the University of Windsor English Dept., please note that each contest requires original works. Contestants cannot submit the same article(s) to both contests

DEADLINE: April 30th, 2018

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