

Chesterfield NH Authors' and Storytelling Contest 2011 Rules

Who: The Authors' Contest is open to all Chesterfield residents (or nonresident taxpayers.) Contestants are grouped into 10 age categories:

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| • Grade 1 | * Grade 4 | * Grade 7 | * Adults |
| • Grade 2 | * Grade 5 | * Grade 8 | |
| • Grade 3 | * Grade 6 | * Grade 9-12 | |

What: Original, unpublished, unremunerated works in any of the following genres. These are the five categories to choose from.

- Poetry, limited to 30 lines
- Fiction, limited to 1,500 words
- Nonfiction, limited to 1,500 words
- Stories in Cartoon Format, limited to 100 words and 6 pictures
- Storytelling, limited to no more than 8 minutes

When: Entries must be submitted to the Chesterfield Public Library (or its return box) no later than January 31 of the contest year. Awards presented on Friday, March 18th, 2011 at Town Hall.

How: A contestant can only enter into two categories and only one work per category with a separate entry form for each submission. If a contestant does not follow these guidelines, all of their entries will be disqualified for the contest. Chose which two categories you wish to enter.

Rules For Poetry, Fiction, Nonfiction, and Stories in Cartoon Format:

Submit two (2) copies of work with a completed entry form for Poetry, Fiction, Nonfiction and Cartoon (make a photo copy).

One copy should have no author identification at all.

One copy must have the author's name on the front page – or stapled that copy to the entry form.

Manuscripts must be on 8 inch x 11 inch white paper.

Manuscripts that are submitted in any other form (books, notebooks, etc.) will not be considered.

All entries should be typewritten in an easily read font such as (a) Times Roman type, (b) 12 point font, with (c) 1 inch margins at the top and bottom. All authors must adhere to the line and word limits in each category. Any entries exceeding the maximum number of lines or words may be removed from competition.

DO NOT USE ANY KIND OF ARTWORK IN CATEGORIES OF POETRY, FICTION AND NONFICTION.

Artwork of any form (crayons, brushwork, paint, computer graphics etc.) will not be considered in the judging. **Artwork will only be accepted in the stories in cartoon format category.**

Rules for Storytelling entry:

Theme for storytelling this year is “**friends.**” Create your very own story. It can be a true story or fiction. Puppets, costuming and/or small props can be used. Turn in entry form by January 31st and attach a brief description of your story. Storytelling will take place Saturday, February 12th from 9:00 am – 12:00 am at the Chesterfield Town Hall. Contest coordinator will contact you shortly after entries are submitted about presenting times for the judges on that day.

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Chesterfield NH Authors' and Storytelling Contest 2011 Entry Form

Please submit one entry for each work entered.

Title of Entry: _____

First and Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Teacher name (if attending Chesterfield School) _____

CATEGORY BEING ENTERED (CHECK ONLY ONE)

_____ Poetry (maximum of 30 lines)

_____ Fiction (maximum of 1,500 words)

_____ Nonfiction (maximum of 1,500 words)

_____ Stories in Cartoon Format (maximum 100 words and 6 pictures)

_____ Storytelling (maximum 8 minutes)

LEVEL OF ENTRY (CIRCLE ONE)

Grade 1

Grade 5

Grade 2

Grade 6

Grade 3

Grade 7

Grade 4

Grade 8

Grade 9 – 12

Adult

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