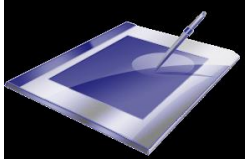


ASCCA Creative Writing Competition 2017



This is our eleventh Creative Writing Competition. Even if you have never written a story or a poem before there is no reason why you could not win in this competition in 2017. You may submit one story only for each of the three prose topics and one poem only for each poetry topic.

We will acknowledge an overall **“Writing Champion” for 2017** and also a **“Champion Club”** for Creative Writing.

Please read and comply with all the conditions of entry and keep strictly within the various word limits for each category - or your entry will be disqualified from judging. The topics are:-

Prose – You can enter one story only for each of the three topics

- 1. Open Topic** – You are invited to submit your best piece of writing 1,000 words or less
- 2. A Snap Decision** – Perhaps the best or the worst decision you ever made? Perhaps some fiction about a decision you would never have even considered making. 1,000 words or less
- 3. A Neighbour** – Take care – you may win and your story will be published! Anyway you can always make up a fictitious character and play it safe. Have fun with this! 1,000 words or less for this topic?

Poetry – You can enter one poem only for each of the same three topics

- 4. Open** – A poem about anything you choose.
- 5. A Tree (Trees)**
- 6. My Place**
Any style of poetry may be entered, using no more than 300 words.

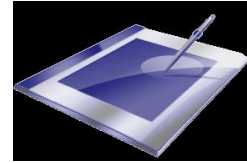
You don't need to be an expert or have visions of being published to enter the writing competition – you are encouraged to experience the joy of 'telling' and sharing your stories. HAPPY WRITING...

Conditions of Entry for ASCCA 2017 Creative Writing Competition:

1. All entries must be the work of a **financial member** of a **financial Seniors Computer Club member of ASCCA** who is **NOT a professional writer**. **ASCCA Directors or Staff members are not eligible**. Unfinancial members and clubs will be disqualified.
2. Maximum number of words for prose entries is - **1,000** words for "Open Topic", "A Snap Decision" and "A Neighbour".

The word limit for all three poetry topics is **300** words and the topics are "Open", "A Tree (Trees)" and "My Place".
3. All entries must be received prior to **4.00 pm on Monday 4th September, 2017**. **Late entries cannot be accepted**.
4. A completed entry form must also be sent with your entry/entries.
5. Only one entry can be entered in any story category, and only one poem can be entered in any poetry category – **making a total maximum of six entries**.
6. To be considered for judging all entries **MUST** be sent **by email to ascca@ascca.org.au** and attached as **Word document/s**. Other formats will be disqualified.
7. **All** entries should be presented **without** photographs or borders – **just plain text – Times New Roman – size 12** with **1.5 spacing to help our judge**.
8. Please do NOT **put your name or your club anywhere on your entry** as they are all sent to the judge with no identification at all.
9. Please include a separate **emailed JPEG** head and shoulders photo of yourself with your entry. This may be published on the ASCCA Website and in an ASCCA Publication.
10. Copyright of all entries remains with the author but selected entries may be included in an **ASCCA** publication; such publications will be copyright to **ASCCA**. Selected entries may be published on the ASCCA Website.
11. Winning entries will be announced at the ASCCA Annual General Meeting on **Wednesday 8th November, 2017** at the conclusion of presentations for day one of the ASCCA Conference - to be held at Rydges World Square Hotel, Pitt Street, Sydney.
12. By participating in this competition **entrants agree to be bound by these conditions of entry**.
13. The judge's decision is **final and no correspondence will be entered into** regarding the judge's decision.
14. The judge reserves the right not to award a prize in a section or to award additional prizes should he/she think it appropriate.

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ENTRY FORM



Please print

Name of Entrant:

Contact Address:

..... P/Code:

Phone No:..... Personal Email:.....

Name of Club:

Categories entered: Please tick section/s to be entered, only one entry for each of the six topics is allowed. **Please give your story or poem a unique title to make sure your story stands out.**

A. Stories/Prose

1. **Open Topic** Your Title

2. **A Snap Decision** Your Title

3. **A Neighbour** Your Title

B. Poetry

4. **Open Topic** Your Title

5. **A Tree (Trees)** Your Title

6. **My Place** Your Title

The attached entry/entries are the work of(your name)

and I am a member of theComputer Club.

I have read and accept the conditions of entry for this competition.

Signature: Date:

Please email a clearly named JPEG image of yourself with this entry.