

## 2011 City of Ottawa 55+ Short Story Contest

The City of Ottawa invites submissions of short stories or memoirs to its 14<sup>th</sup> annual contest. Any adult 55 years or older, living within the City of Ottawa is eligible to enter.

### **ELIGIBLE ENTRIES**

\*ORIGINAL AND UNPUBLISHED WORKS

\*2000 WORDS OR LESS

- PLEASE SUBMIT TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES
- Category E for Experienced: If you are a professional or semi-professional writer (eg journalists, reporters, speech writers, free lancers) or belong to the Writers' Guild, you may submit to Category E
- Category N for Novice: If you are a senior beginner, you write as a part of life-long learning, as a hobby, self-interest or leisure pursuit (maybe taking writing courses), you may submit to Category N

### **Prize structure**

The authors of the 8 winning stories will be named to the "2011 Winners' Circle" sharing prize money of \$400.

### **How to enter**

Attach a cover sheet with your:

Name

Address

Postal code

Telephone number

email (optional)

Story title

Approximate number of words

Category E or N

Ensure that your name does not appear on the story pages.

The title should appear on each page of the story.

Include a \$6.25 entry fee for each story submitted.

Please make your cheque Payable to the City of Ottawa.

Multiple entries will be accepted but contestants can win only one prize.

Stories will not be returned.

Entries will only be accepted from January 2 – March 15, 2011

### **Mail your submission to:**

City of Ottawa 55+ Short Story Contest

c/o Heron Seniors' Centre

1480 Heron Road,

Ottawa, Ontario

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### **Deadline for entries is March 15, 2011 (please postmark your entries by this date)**

Successful candidates will be notified by April 15, 2011.

Contest winners will be recognized at **An Afternoon of Readings** featuring the eight Winners of the City of Ottawa 55+ Short Story Contest, to be held Wednesday April 27, 2011 from 1:00 –4:00 p.m. at the Heron Seniors' Centre, 1480 Heron Road. Public invited. **RSVP- by April 26. Call 247-4808 ext 2.**

One of the winning stories will be selected for publication in a spring issue of Forever Young, Canada's leading Newspaper for people 50 and over.

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