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Enter the Frye Festival Writing Contest



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Use one of the following themes to inspire your 400 to 1500 word essay or short story.

Essay:

Texting and instant messaging: do they enrich or weaken the way we speak and write?

Discuss how environmental concerns and climate change will affect your choices as a consumer as you leave school and enter the adult world.

Youtube or the news? Which portrays the most accurate view of our world: traditional media (television, newspapers, radio) or the Internet?

The Global Village: globalization is increasingly dissolving economic and cultural borders. Describe yourself as a citizen of the world.

The "Net Generation": Could you survive a month without cell phones, ipods or the internet? Discuss.

Northrop Frye in the 21st Century: what would be on Frye's Facebook profile or blog?

Short Story:

Write a short story, including either Northrop Frye or the Frye Festival (how you do this is entirely up to you), which demonstrates believable characterization and plot development.

Criteria:

- All submissions must be 400 to 1500 word prose pieces and be typed and double-spaced.
- You must create your own title and include a **title page indicating the title of your paper, your name, your school, your grade, your English teacher, and your home phone number.**
- Your 'audience' is age 14+

THERE IS STILL PLENTY OF TIME!

The submission deadline is **December 7th, 2009.**

English Teachers or SPRs are encouraged to gather all writing for a pre-selection as each school may submit only 15 essays. **Essays must be submitted electronically (by student or teacher) no later than 4:00 pm on December 7th, 2009 to the following address: roxanne@frye.ca.**

Essays received after this deadline will not be considered.

Your writing will be assessed on the following points:

- Organization, structure and style
- Quality of thought
- Grammar, punctuation, spelling and vocabulary
- Presentation of document
- Adherence to criteria

Your school can also win! One lucky school will win a prize of \$500 toward the purchase of books.

Winners will be contacted in March, 2010 and announced at the Soirée Frye on April 22, 2010.

If you require further clarification on the Writing Contest or for more information on the Festival School-Youth Program, please contact Roxanne Richard at 859-4389 or roxanne@frye.ca.

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