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ACCLF WRITING CONTEST 2010

The African Canadian Children's Literary Festival (ACCLF) is an annual festival dedicated to the celebration of education through reading, creative writing, spoken word and poetry while promoting African culture, awareness, and identity. The objective of the 2010 ACCLF Literature & Poetry Writing contest is to innovate change through creativity.

Inventions by Black inventors are today's modern conveniences and necessities. This year's contest theme is designed for participants to explore the contributions of Black inventors and their inventions. Participants must answer the question. **"Which Black inventor has created an invention that has changed or enhance everyday living, and why?"** Participants are invited to submit a short story, essay or poem no longer than 3 pages. This contest is open to children and youth from 5 - 18 years of age.

Contest Entry Form:

APPLICANT'S NAME:	
FIRST	LAST
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:	APPLICANT'S DATE OF BIRTH:
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NAME OF SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION:	
MAILING ADDRESS:	
STREET NO.	CITY / PROVINCE / POSTAL CODE
URL:	EMAIL:
PHONE:	FAX:
PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: PLEASE PRINT	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:



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ACCLF WRITING CONTEST RULES & REGULATIONS 2010

Agreement

Before entering the contest, please review the contest rules. No purchase is necessary to enter the contest. The act of entering the contest constitutes acceptance of the contest rules and the decisions of the contest judges.

General

All contest submissions for 2010 will be accepted through electronic mail, letter mail, courier, or hand delivery. Entry forms must be received on or before Tuesday February 2, 2010. Submissions received after this date cannot be guaranteed entry into the competition. Entries must be typed or clearly printed and a maximum of 3 pages.

Eligibility

Participants must be between the ages of 5 – 18 years old and a resident of Ontario. Immediate family members of **ACCLF** judges are not eligible to enter. The contest begins November 1, 2009. The deadline to submit an entry is midnight, February 1, 2010. Parental signature is required for all entries, for participants under 16 years of age.

Authenticity

The participant's submission must be produced solely by the above name applicant. Submissions with any suspicion of plagiarism will be disqualified without notice.

Winners

Voting by **ACCLF** judges will commence on February 4, 2010. The **ACCLF** will notify entrants of their selection by February 11, 2010. The winners will be officially announced and awarded on February 14, 2010 during the festival at the York Woods Library Theatre located at 1785 Finch Avenue West, Toronto, Ontario, M3N 1M6. Three winners will be chosen from three separate age categories, 5 - 9 years old, 10 - 13 years old and 14 - 18 years old. All contestants must be present on that day to receive their prize. Decisions will be unanimous. All decisions are final.

Release

Winners may be asked to agree to provide his/her photo and brief biography without compensation for publicity purposes and to sign a waiver of liability on behalf of the African Canadian Children's Literary Festival. The **ACCLF** holds the right to show publicly, in part or in its entirety, photographs submitted of the winner(s).

Liability

The **ACCLF** will not be liable for any loss, damaged, stolen or misdirected entries. Submissions will not be returned.

Odds & Disclaimer

The odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries received during the relevant contest period. All decisions of the contest judges are final. The **ACCLF** reserves the right in its sole discretion to cancel or modify the contest or the contest rules & regulations at any time without notice. All prizes must be accepted as awarded. The contest is governed by the applicable laws of Ontario and the laws of Canada.

Sponsors

The contest is sponsored by the African Canadian Children's Literary Festival, the Canada Council of The Arts, the Ontario Arts Council and the Toronto Arts Council.

I/We have read and understand the Contest Rules & Regulations and accept the rules as outlined. Check here.