



### **SHORT STORY GUIDELINES STUDENT COMPETITION**

1. The competition is open to original, unpublished short fiction with no more than 5,000 words. Judging is blind. Winner will receive \$50
2. You may enter one short story or more, but all work must be entered at the same time and by an English teacher representing your school.
3. All entries must be typed on one side of 8 ½ x 11-inch white paper in 12 pt. font. The Short Stories will not be returned so keep a copy for your records.
4. All entries must be in English, original, unpublished. UCDA reserves the one-time publication rights for winning entries, after which publication rights revert to the writer.
5. Winners will be notified prior to the festival. If you have not been contacted September 16, you can assume your entry is not a finalist.
6. Winners will be recognized and prizes awarded at the literary festival luncheon on September 23.
7. The following are not permitted to enter: employees of UCDA and their immediate families.
8. Send two copies of each submission along with one cover sheet and one digital copy on a disk or flash drive as a pdf file and the entry fee for each short story to the following address, postmarked no later than August 31, 2011:

Student Short Story Competition  
Tallahatchie RiverFest  
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