



# The SSA 2017 Writing Contest

ENTRY FORM (deadline September 30, 2017)

Requirements are below and at [www.ssa-az.org/contest.html](http://www.ssa-az.org/contest.html)

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

## CATEGORY / \$15 ENTRY FEE EACH

City \_\_\_\_\_

Short Story (2,500 words max)     Poetry (40 lines max)

State/Province \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Essay/Memoir (2,500 words max)

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

*Multiple entries may be submitted with one check, in one envelope but each entry must have its own entry form—put total on only one. No membership dues or other fees are accepted with contest entries.*

Country \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed: \$15 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*Please fill out PDF or print clearly on copy so we can contact you!*

**Make checks or money orders payable to SSA.  
PayPal/Visa on website. Fees are non-refundable.**

**PRIZES (awarded in each category) 1<sup>st</sup> place – \$200 • 2<sup>nd</sup> place – \$100 • 3<sup>rd</sup> place – \$50 • Honorable Mention  
• Commendation – only author's name & entry title will be printed in *The Story Teller*  
All winning entries will be published in SSA's *The Story Teller 2017* • All entries will receive judge's comments!**

**Mail this form + 3 copies of each entry to: SSA 2017 Writing Contest, P.O. Box 30355, Tucson, AZ 85751**  
**We are accepting e-mail submissions—please send PDF document (same rules) and this form to [info@ssa-az.org](mailto:info@ssa-az.org).**  
Late entries will be returned unopened. Be sure your entry is post marked no later than September 30, 2017.

*For confirmation of receipt of entry, make sure we can read your e-mail address.*

You need not attend the Awards Luncheon to receive your award.

I affirm that this entry is my original, unpublished work, and that this is not a simultaneous submission.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS/CONTEST RULES (PLEASE READ CAREFULLY TO AVOID DISQUALIFICATION)

1. "Entry" means one individual piece of work. Include 3 printed copies or 1 PDF of each entry with your entry form.
2. Multiple entries are accepted. **Each** entry must be accompanied by an official entry form *and* \$15. (You may copy this form or download forms from [ssa-az.org](http://ssa-az.org). You may send 1 check or money order or PayPal to cover all entries)
3. Entries must be double-spaced on one side of white, 8½" x 11" (or A4 or similar) typing or copy paper, with one-inch margins, using 12-point Times New Roman or Courier font, in black ink only. Poetry stanzas may be single-spaced.
4. The title of the submission must be in the upper left-hand corner of every page.
5. Consecutive page numbers must be in the upper right-hand corner of every page.
6. The total word count (strictly observed) of each entry must be in the upper right-hand corner of page 1 **only**.
7. DO NOT put your name on any part of the manuscript. DO NOT include a cover sheet. Use title of entry for PDF.
8. DO NOT include artwork of any kind.
9. Staple the pages of each entry. DO NOT use paper clips.
10. Entries **must be** postmarked on or before **September 30, 2017**. Entries postmarked later than September 30, 2017 will be disqualified and returned to sender unopened.
11. Use regular mail. Certified or Special Delivery mail will be returned to the sender unopened.
12. All entries must be your original work and previously unpublished. NO simultaneous submissions.
13. Entries will not be returned. For confirmation of receipt of your entry, enclose a stamped, self-addressed post card.

## Winners will be announced at the November 19, 2017 Awards Luncheon.

Winners will be notified by October 31, 2017. If you have not been notified by that date that you are a winner, you may market your entry elsewhere. All winning entries will be published in the SSA's *The Story Teller 2017*. Some time after November 19, 2017, names of the winners and the titles of winning entries will be posted on the SSA website.

For more information visit [ssa-az.org/contest.html](http://ssa-az.org/contest.html) or e-mail [info@ssa-az.org](mailto:info@ssa-az.org) (put "SSA Contest" in subject line).

How did you learn about the contest?  SSA Member  Friend  Newspaper (name) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Internet (URL) \_\_\_\_\_  Other \_\_\_\_\_