

# OHIOANA ROBERT FOX AWARD FOR YOUNG WRITERS

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## ENTRY FORM

### **Please return to:**

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**DEADLINE:** January 15

The Robert Fox Award for Young Writers was established in 2007 to honor Robert Fox (1943-2003) with the support of his friends and family. Robert was a writer and poet who served as the Ohio Arts Council's first poet in the schools and then became the literary coordinator for the OAC. Three awards are given in each of the two categories: prose and poetry. First place awards \$250, second \$150, and third \$100.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Open to Ohio students in grades 9-12.
- Only ONE entry per student per category may be submitted.
- No more than THREE entries may be submitted per school.

### **ENTRIES**

- A poem may be up to 30 lines and prose up to 1,500 words.
- Students' names should NOT appear on the entry, but a signed Entry Form must be included with all entries.
- All entries must be titled, typewritten and double spaced on 8.5 x 11 inch white paper using 12-point type in an easily readable font. There should be few, if any, mechanical or structural errors in an entry.
- FOUR copies of each entry should be submitted and accompanied by a signed Entry Form.
- Entries must be postmarked no later than January 15 of the year in which the award is given.

### **JUDGING**

Entries will be judged on originality, form, language usage, and grammatical skills. Prose entries should show a unique choice of subject, depth of thought, logical progression of idea, and command of the language. Poems should show a unique style, movement, or rhythm, command of figurative language and fresh approach of ideas. A panel of three qualified judges will review and rank each entry. Judges shall select the works of the persons whose writing they consider best in overall quality. Judges reserve the right not to grant an award if, in their opinion, no submission merits an award.

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### **ENTRY APPLICATION – Please print** **Please check if entry is: Prose or Poetry**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_