

LITERARY COMPETITION 2022/23

The Department of Sport, Arts and Culture hereby **invites** potential writers to enter for the 2022/23 literary competition.

GENRE: Short Stories: Minimum requirements: A minimum of 10 and maximum of 15 typed short stories comprising of not more than 5 pages per short story, Font : Arial, size 12 with single line spacing in all the paragraphs on an A4 page. The competition is presented in six official languages of Limpopo, i.e. Afrikaans, English, IsiNdebele, Sepedi, Tshivenda and Xitsonga.

There are three categories of prizes to be won for each language:

i) First prize :	R20 000. 00
ii) Second prize :	R17 000. 00
iii) Third prize :	R13 000. 00

The Department of Sport, Arts and Culture has in terms of Section 6(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 which emphasizes that the state must elevate the status and use of the Historically disadvantaged languages, the mandate to implement practical and positive measures, to redress the disparities of reading materials in the previously marginalized languages. To do that, we have allocated an additional amount of **R3 000.00** to all first prize winning manuscripts written in the indigenous languages of Limpopo viz: **IsiNdebele, Sepedi, Tshivenda, and Xitsonga**.

Once submitted for the competition, entries may not be submitted for publication elsewhere. It is **only** after the award ceremony that authors can have their manuscripts published. However, each manuscript published from this competition is requested to acknowledge that the publication was an initiative with the assistance of the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture in Limpopo.

Manuscripts are judged anonymously by independent evaluators who are not attached to the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture; therefore writers are requested to ensure that their names appear **ONLY** on the entry form.

Each entry must be accompanied by an entry form or a copy thereof .Only one author per manuscript is allowed to enter. Entrants are advised to keep copies of their manuscripts. The work submitted should be true original, unpublished and not translated from other languages. The judges' decision is final.

Authors who had their short stories published previously should not enter this competition.

The Department of Sport, Arts and Culture does not accept any responsibility for any manuscripts that may not arrive on time, delayed, damaged or lost in transit. Faxed manuscripts will not be accepted.

All employees in the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture are not allowed to enter for the competition. Closing date for entries: 31 October 2022. The Department will communicate with the winners only.

Manuscripts should be neatly typed, properly edited and posted or submitted to:

The Director

Limpopo Language Services

Department of Sport, Arts and Culture

Private Bag X9549, Polokwane, 0700

OR

hand-delivered to: Olympic Towers Building

21 Cnr. Biccard and Rabe Streets

Polokwane, 0699

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2022 / 23 LITERARY COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

(PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK LETTERS)
SURNAME :
NAMES :
IDENTITY NO:
GENDER:
POSTAL ADDRESS :
PHYSICAL ADDRESS :
TELEPHONE :(Home)
Cell No :/ E-mail :
TITLE OF MANUSCRIPT :
LANGUAGE USED FOR ENTRY :
SIGNATURE :
DATE :