



LIMPOPO
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

DEPARTMENT OF
SPORT, ARTS AND CULTURE

LITERARY COMPETITION 2020/21

The Department of Sport, Arts and Culture hereby **invites** potential writers to enter for the 2020 / 21 literary competition.

GENRE: Novel ; Themes:

- (1) Covid-19 in South Africa (e.g. Politics, economy, education etc.
- (2) Gender based violence in South Africa.
- (3) The role of culture in our society.

Minimum requirements: A minimum of 55 and maximum of 70 typed pages. Font type and size : Arial 12 with 1.5 line spacing in all the paragraphs.

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 in terms of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, Section 6(2) of 1996 which emphasizes that the state must elevate the status and use of the historically disadvantaged languages, has the mandate to implement practical and positive measures to redress the disparities of reading materials in the previously marginalized languages. To do that, the Language Services has 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 .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 The work submitted should be true original, unpublished and not translated from other languages.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 previously won the Departmental Literary Competition in novels, should not enter this competition.

The Department of Sport, Arts and Culture does not accept any manuscripts that will arrive after the closing date, and will not be responsible for those that will be delayed, damaged or lost in transit. Faxed and e-mailed 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: **19 March 2021. The Department will communicate ONLY with the winners.**

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 Biccard Street
Polokwane, 0699

Enquiries Mr. Manthata M. N: 015 284 4055; Ms. MP Mogodi: 015 284 4056
Ms. Mkansi T : 015 284 4057 or Mr PE Mathabatha: 015 284 4054



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2020 / 21 LITERARY COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

(PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK LETTERS)

SURNAME :

NAMES :

IDENTITY NO:

GENDER:

POSTAL ADDRESS :.....

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PHYSICAL ADDRESS :

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TELEPHONE :(Home)...../ (Work):.....

Cell No :...../ E-mail :.....

TITLE OF MANUSCRIPT :

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LANGUAGE USED FOR ENTRY :

SIGNATURE :

DATE :