

Terms and Conditions

Welcome to **PenMastersGlobal.com**, home of the PenMasters Global Literary Contests. By submitting an entry to any contest hosted by PenMasters Global, you agree to the following Terms and Conditions:

1. Eligibility

- Contests are open to writers worldwide unless otherwise specified.
 - Entrants must be 18 years or older or have parental/guardian consent to participate.
 - All submissions must be original works of the entrant. Any form of plagiarism or copyright infringement will result in immediate disqualification.
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2. Submission Guidelines

- Entries must be submitted electronically via our website and designated email—support@penmastersglobal.com.
 - Contest categories may be divided into fiction, nonfiction, poetry, or other genres, as specified on the contest page.
 - Each entry must be submitted in English.
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3. Entry Fees

- All entry fees are non-refundable.
 - Fees must be paid in full prior to the contest deadline to ensure eligibility.
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4. Deadlines

- All contest deadlines are clearly stated on the website.
 - Late submissions will not be accepted unless an official extension is announced or specifically stated by penmastersglobal.com.
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5. Review and Judging

- Entries are reviewed by qualified judges, including authors, editors, educators, and literary professionals.
 - All judging is done anonymously and fairly. Decisions made by the judging panel are final and not subject to appeal.
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6. Prizes and Recognition

- Winners and finalists will receive digital award seals, ongoing promotional support, and permanent recognition on the “PenMasters for Life” wall (Reserved for Winners).
 - While there is no cash prize, awards are intended to support long-term literary visibility and credibility.
 - Winning entries may be announced on the PenMastersGlobal.com website, email newsletters, press releases, and affiliated platforms.
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7. Rights and Ownership

- Authors retain full rights to their work.
 - By entering, you grant PenMasters Global permission to list your name, author bio and picture, book title, and submitted material in promotional materials and announcements if you are selected as a winner or finalist.
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8. Disqualification

PenMasters Global reserves the right to disqualify any entry that:

- Contains plagiarized material.
 - Violates submission guidelines.
 - Is found to be offensive, discriminatory, or harmful in any way.
 - Attempts to manipulate or influence the outcome of the contest.
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9. Changes and Cancellations

PenMasters Global reserves the right to cancel or modify contests or these terms at any time. In such cases, registered entrants will be notified and offered a transfer of entry or refund (if applicable).

10. Privacy

- Personal information collected during the submission process will only be used for contest administration, announcements, and promotional purposes related to PenMasters Global.
 - We will never sell or share your data with third parties.
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11. Contact

If you have questions about these Terms and Conditions or the contest, please contact us at:

 [**info@penmastersglobal.com**](mailto:info@penmastersglobal.com)