

Short Story Competition

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On Friday January 29th, Under the Edge Arts is pleased to play host to writer, critic and television presenter Alexander Waugh discussing, *Writing as a Family Trade*. The evening will coincide with the launch of our inaugural competition for Gloucestershire writers, and in keeping with the talk, we are inviting you to submit a short story on the theme of **Family**.

The competition is open to all in Gloucestershire and is divided into two categories.

Adults 16 and over – 1,000 words
Young Writers Under 16 – 600 words

Entry fee is **£5** per submission.

Adults

1st Prize - £150

2nd Prize - £50

Young Writers

1st Prize - £50

2nd Prize - £25

Winning entries will be published on our website, and there will be a prize giving event included in the summer programme.

The entries will be judged by a panel of local writers.

The deadline is **Friday 19th March 2010**.

To receive an entry form email:

info@utea.org.uk or phone 07791 323869

Rules /Entry Form

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All entries must be submitted with the completed entry form.

One entry per form.

Entrants must either live or work in Gloucestershire; entries must therefore be submitted from a Gloucestershire postcode only.

The maximum story length for young writers is 600 words. The maximum story length for adult writers is 1000 words.

An entry fee of £5.00 per story should be included with your submission. Only cash, cheques, or UK postal orders can be accepted. Cheques and postal orders should be made payable to Wotton Arts Project. We do not recommend you send cash through the post.

All entries should be typed, double-spaced, on white A4 paper and preferably paper clipped, not stapled. Please do not send hand written entries, as these will not be eligible.

Stories should be original, and the work of the entrant. Previously published stories, and stories currently entered in another competition, are not eligible for entry.

If you would like a receipt for your submission, please include a stamped addressed postcard (or sealed envelope) marked 'receipt'. No entries will be returned, so you are advised to keep a copy of your work.

Entry fees are not returnable under any circumstances, so please ensure you comply with the competition rules, especially the anonymity of entries. At the discretion of the competition organisers, entries may be disqualified if they fail to comply.

By entering the competition, entrants grant permission to the competition organisers, Under The Edge Arts, to publish the winning entries on their internet web site for up to six months from the date of awarding prizes, and agree that details of the competition and its winning entries may appear in local newspapers and on local media without payment of a fee to the author. Under The Edge Arts acknowledges that copyright remains with the author at all times.

Winners will be notified by email or by phone. The list of winning entries will appear on the Under The Edge Arts web site in due course.

The decision of the judges is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.

We look forward to receiving your entry!

Please Complete in BLOCK CAPITALS

First Name _____ Surname _____

Address _____

Postcode _____ Phone No. _____

Email _____

Category (delete as appropriate) Under 16 / 16 and over

Title of Work _____

Word Count _____

£5.00 enclosed as:
(please tick)

Cash
Cheque
Postal Order

Cheques and Postal Orders to be made out to **Wotton Arts Project**

I hereby certify that entered work is my own and is not currently entered into another competition.

Signed _____ Date ____ / ____ / 10

Competition closes on Friday 19th March 2010.

Please send entries to: **UTEA Short Story Competition, 18 Gloucester Street, Wotton-under-Edge. GL12 7DN.**