

CONTEST SUBMISSION FORM 2023

DEADLINE: Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at 11:59pm

TO USE THIS FORM: Print, fill out by hand, scan & send by email as a separate attachment for each entry. Print clearly. **If you have trouble w/ the form just include all the info requested in your email.**

You may enter up to two contest entries if they are in different categories (pb, mg or ya). Contest winners are announced at the end of the event. You must be registered for the event to enter. Contest entries are NOT returned or commented upon. CenCal reserves the right to not declare a winner(s) should an insufficient quantity of entries be received.

Author's Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Title of Manuscript: _____

Category (choose one—if in doubt choose by age of intended reader) May be fiction or nonfiction.
____ Picture Book ____ Middle Grade ____ Young Adult

CONTEST FORMAT CHECKLIST

____ **Make sure your name and address are REMOVED before sending.**

Contest entries are ANONYMOUS. Manuscripts that identify the author will be disqualified.

Check the following to make sure your name is NOT included:

- Upper corner of first page should NOT have your name.
- Page Count Headers/Footers should NOT have your name.
- Synopsis should NOT have your name.
- File title should NOT have your name.

____ Category and word count included on first page upper right corner

____ Double-spaced, 12 point type, 1st page begins 1/3 of the way down.

____ Include 10 manuscript pages plus a one page synopsis pasted at the end for mg and ya

____ One page synopsis (mg and ya only) should be single-spaced.

____ For poetry one poem per page is the standard unless the poems are very short.

____ Only manuscript text is accepted. No accompanying pictures or dummies are permitted.

____ Save your file using the title only. For example **WizardofOz.mgcontest** Do not use your name to save your file. Do not simply call your file contest pages.

HOW TO SUBMIT:

Contest entries are accepted by email only & must be received by Tuesday, August 1 at 11:59pm.

Picture Books send to pbcontestcencal@gmail.com

Middle Grade send to mgcontestcencal@gmail.com

Young Adult send to yacontestcencal@gmail.com

Questions: email Rebecca at Cencal-RA@scbwi.org Allow me a couple of days to respond (I highly recommend not waiting until the evening of the deadline to submit in case questions arise).