WRITE THIS! 2019
THE UNIVERSE NEEDS YOUR STORY

YOU MAY ENTER THE CONTEST IF YOU:
• Will enter grade 6-12 in Fall 2019
• Use Harford County Public Library

HOW TO ENTER:
• In person at any HCPL location
• Electronically to writethiscontest@hcplonline.org
• Deadline for entries is 11:59 pm on Thursday, August 15, 2019
• Only one entry per participant per category
• All entries must be written by one author (no co-authored stories/poems)

THE MANUSCRIPT:
• All entries must be accompanied by a completed and signed permission slip
• Entries must be typed, or written legibly, in English
• Include a title page with the following: author’s name, grade, and title of work
• Include the title and page number in the upper right-hand corner of every page, except the title page
• The author’s name should not appear anywhere other than the title page
• Please do not submit your only copy

CONTENT REQUIREMENTS:
All Entries:
• Writers must select one place, one person, and one item from HCPL’s Write This! 2019 Detail Chart for inclusion in their story or poem
• Illustrations can accompany the work, but will not impact the judging in any way
• The written piece must be an original work
Short Story Entries:
• Must not exceed 1,000 words
• Can be a complete story, or the first chapter/segment of a longer story
Poetry Entries:
• Must have a minimum of 15 lines
• Cannot exceed 3 pages (Please note: multiple poems can be submitted in one entry)

NEED MORE INFO: Send questions to writethiscontest@hcplonline.org

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