

Wales U3A Web Site – Welsh Short Story Writing Competition 2018

The Story

- It must be **in Welsh**.
- It can be fictional or non-fictional.
- It must be a **maximum of 1000 words** (including the title) or it could be less than 100 words if you wish. (All word processors have a facility for counting the number of words) Any script over 1500 words will not be read by the judges.
- **Your story must start with: Ar draeth yn.....**
- Please give it a title, to avoid confusion with the other entries.
- Worldwide copyright for the story will remain with the author but the organiser will have the right to edit & publish the submitted work on its website and/or in an eBook and use in the Coastline and Borders Celebration.
- No poems please.

The Rules

- The competition is open to current members of all Welsh U3As
- There will be 2 categories – learners and first language Welsh
- Entry is free but limited to one story per person
- Entries must be received between **1st July** and the **31st August 2018**.
- Entrants whose story has been chosen to be in the top 5 of both competitions, will be notified by the end of September.
- The winners will be announced by the **1st November 2018** and each receive a £25 book token.
- The results will be published on the Wales Web Site and in Third Age Matters
- The winning entries will be published on the Wales Web Site
- Judges and Organisers will not enter into any correspondence/discussion with any entrant.

How to Present Your Story - very important

- It must be clearly typed in black with a 'normal' font, double spacing, using pdf, Word or Pages format.
- The title must appear at the top of every page.
- **Your name and U3A MUST NOT appear in the story.**
- **In a separate document**, give the title of your story, the number of words, your name, address & phone number, your e-mail address, and your U3A, these details will not be seen by the judges.
- It must be **clearly** marked 1st Language Welsh or Welsh Learner. If the latter, stating how many years you have been learning.

How to Submit Your Story

- The story must be attached to an e-mail and sent to the e-mail address below. This makes it easier to distribute to the judges.
- If your entry has not been acknowledged within seven days then please contact me at hilary.jones@u3a.org.uk

Judging

- **The judges decision is final in all matters.**
- The best five entries in each category will be decided by the following panel of judges:
 - Eira Davies (Preseli U3A)
 - Julia Greenhaf (Cardiff U3A)
 - Carol Loughlin (Dyffryn Conwy U3A)
 - Mary Burdett-Jones (Aberystwyth U3A)
 - Gwen Evans (Ruthin U3A)
- The top 5 entries in each category will then be passed to Jane Jones-Owen (a National Eisteddfod Prose Medal winner) , who will select the winner.

The story and your separate contact details must be emailed to halkyn18@gmail.com

This poster and the rules have been sent out in English for the benefit of entrants in the Welsh Learners category.

If you have any queries, please contact me:

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