

2018 GALESBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST WINNERS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF THE BIG WRITE!

Thank you to the [Friends of the Galesburg Public Library](#) for sponsoring the contest and to everyone who entered.

Winners, entrants, friends, family, and the community are invited to a reception on **April 21 at 2 pm** at the Galesburg Public Library, 40 E Simmons St. The winners will have the opportunity to read their entries.

3rd-5th Grade Poetry Winners

- 1st. *Swirling Snow* by Elizabeth Wallenfelsz
- 2nd. *Fall is Beautiful* by Maya Schwarz
- 3rd. *Snow Falling* by Julia Sallee

3rd-5th Grade Short Story Winners

- 1st. *The Life of Mya Jones* by Cora Johnson
- 2nd. *My Experience with Fish* by Brenon Watkins
- 3rd. *Books Change Lives* by Ethan Oxley

Middle School Poetry Winners

- 1st. *Hearts* by Lindsay Dunn
- 2nd. *Valentine's Day* by Manuel Lopez IV
- 3rd. *My Room* by Sara Bailey

Middle School Short Story Winners

- 1st. *Incense* by Mataya Caldwell
- 2nd. *The Ravens Accept Apologies* by Caleb Oxley
- 3rd. *The Next Case* by David Brody



High School Poetry Winners

- 1st. *Change the World* by Katelynn Payne
- 2nd. *Better to be the Ant* by Penny Duran
- 3rd. *The Forming of the words I Love You From Every Part and How It Feels When They Pour Out: A Song* by Fall Out Boy by Leah Clifford

High School Short Story Winners

- 1st. *Inevitable Change* by Camellia Schwartzman
- 2nd. *My Apologies* by Penny Duran
- 3rd. *The Evolution of Beauty* by Leah Clifford

Adult Poetry Winners

- 1st. *Reflections on my 62nd Birthday* by Andy Busch
- 2nd. *Beatification of the Stooges* by Rich Hanson
- 3rd. Tie: *The Library* by Gary S. Elam
The Dreamer by G.L. Johnson

Adult Short Story Winners

- 1st. *The Empty Nest* by T.E. Camper
- 2nd. *Machinations* by Gary Armstrong
- 3rd. Tie: *Ferryman* by Daniel Murphy
The Grim Reaper Bares His Soul to a Bartender by Rich Hanson