

WRITING OPPORTUNITIES & CONTESTS FOR KIDS AND TEENS



Stone Soup Magazine

www.stonesoup.com

Great magazine that publishes reviews, poetry, and short stories by writers up to age 13.

Skipping Stones Magazine

www.skippingstones.org

Multicultural magazine that publishes work by writers between the ages of 7 – 17 from around the world. Focuses on stories, poems, letters, photography, and artwork with multicultural or international themes.

Young Writer's Project: Write a Novel in One Month

<http://ywp.nanowrimo.org/>

Annual November contest challenges intermediate and teen writers to set a writing goal and write a novel in 30 days. Students meeting their goal can receive 5 free paperbacks of their finished book.

Writing and Publishing Site for Kids

www.kidpub.com

This online writing site gives students the chance to post fan fiction, stories, etc. It runs several writing theme contests each year, and offers blogs and discussion boards for kids about writers' block and other writing topics. Publication packages are also available through the site, but be aware that there is a significant cost involved.

Scholastic Art and Writing Awards

<http://www.artandwriting.org/Awards/Categories>

An annual contest for grades 7 – 12 that accepts essays, stories, and poetry for awards, scholarships, and publication. Category deadlines are usually in Dec/Jan. of each calendar year. Also offers a novel writing category for the first 50 pages of a novel. Deadline in February.

Teen Ink Magazine

<http://www.teenink.com/Contests/>

Offers writing contests and publication for teens. Check for current contests and themes.

Marilyn Bianchi Playwriting Festival (OHIO WRITERS)

dobama.org/marilyn-bianchi-kids-playwriting-festival

Cleveland playwriting contest for writers in grades 1-12. Winning plays are performed at Dobama. An excellent-and challenging-competition!

Thurber House Summer Writing Programs and Workshops (OHIO WRITERS)

www.thurberhouse.org

For residents of Ohio, the Thurber House in Columbus, OH offers great summer and weekend creative writing programs for all ages. Publishes teen writing in a magazine called *Flip the Page*.

Please Note! Websites and publications change frequently. Read all guidelines and rules before submitting any piece of writing and make sure to get parental approval for access to websites.