

2023 It's All Write teen writing contest finalists

Short Story

6th-8th grade

"Below Freezing," Andrew Kerekes
"Sandwich Pete's Reckoning," Cameron Wakeford
"Tears I Saved For You," Suryn Lee
"Only Thirty Seconds," Benjamin George
"Silent Waves," Per Bergman
"Her Necklace," Ayla Altinsel
"Notes From a Flower," Dusk Boyle
"To Eternity," Hanako McDonald
"Poisoned," Simran Shah
"Life Lost Through Time," Kira Tribou
"Twenty-for Evers," Aaron Zoellner
"Whisper in the Walls," Corinne Marks
"The Girl in the Mist," Sadie Bohnsack
"When the Sun Began to Shine," Anna Callaghan
"The Sound That Changed the World," Lorena Moore
"A Snowy Arena," Shelley Ouyang
"99," Casper Kubacki
"The Sunthief," Gracelyn Bruce-Watson
"A Star from the Sky," Chiara Christensen
"The Prince and the Queen," Jason Turner
"Home Run! A Baseball Novel," Mather Israel
"Beautiful Destruction," Winter Schroeder
"The Journal of Isabella Rochelle," Anonymous
"The Girl and the Witch," Sevie Roddy

9th-10th grade

"The Crowning," Bella Stanton
"People of Stars," Breanna Swiech
"The Last Hurrah," Ashley Han
"An Unfairness of the Nose," Anonymous
"Black Sky," Mary Russell
"Capitulate," Shyla Smith
"We are the Prey," Mara Birchmeier
"Paper Flowers," by Nathan VanSteenkiste
"The Ghosts of Gwenfield High," Elizabeth Daut
"The Prince," Mikayla Michalak
"Crimson Snow and Pitch-Black Wood," Ainsley Maddock
"The Tragic Tale of August and the Wraith," Ashton Maddock

“Monster Hunting,” Marvin Amrine
“Carnival Hearts,” Anonymous
“Scales in Stone,” Molly Fitzpatrick
“While We Last,” Erin Burchill
“Light From Forgotten Stars,” Claire Wang
“The Surface,” Audrey Benson

11th-12th grade

“God of Music,” Sophia Brown
“The King is Burning,” Avni Gupta
“Escape From Whistling Caves,” Kylie Beevers
“The Hunt,” Molly Reiser
“Desecration,” Anonymous
“My Survivor Story,” Ayasha Jackomino
“The Last Days of David Fitzpatrick,” Maya Comer
“Seven Days on the Livingston Estate,” Isabelle Krepps
“I touch you for the last time and do not know it,” Anonymous
“Wandering Hands,” Anonymous
“BLISS,” Tess Harris
“An Unexpected Illness,” Sari Woo
“Opposite Oddities,” Violet Snider
“Breaching Grounds,” Claire Schultz
“Boring Gray Couch,” Lucia Burbo-Charron
“The Day the Stars Fell,” Madi Badillo

Flash Fiction

6th-8th grade

“Hit and Run,” Alicia You
“Mother Nature,” Merav Caine
“The 5 Stages of Grief,” Abby Whitehead
“Emerald Eyes,” Shelley Ouyang
“Dahlia,” Gracelyn Bruce-Watson
“Balloon,” Jules Gates
“What is Alien?,” Mara Mocanu
“Infection,” Varick Chen
“The Unworthy Rock,” Zimou Zhang

9th-10th grade

“A Dream So Sweet,” Anonymous
“Journal,” Mary Russell
“Sorry For Your Loss,” Katie Gadepelli
“Meat,” Anonymous

"New Girl," Mikayla Michalak
"Perspectives," Erin Burchill
"Sentience," Dylan Li
"Amnesia," Natalie Guo
"Mirror," Anonymous
"hold soft, my loves," Kathryn Plotner

11th-12th grade

"The Water is Too Deep For You," Katie Hume
"Elysium," Jessica Jia
"The Confession," Melinda Mei
"Jealous of Your Melancholy," Avery Heath
"The Whistle on the Plane," Anita Gaenko
"Adventure Awaits," Emma Uhler
"The Last Person on Earth," Jadon Kobus
"Symphony," Kylie Beevers
"A Chill in the Air," Evan Domanski
"Efflorescence," Claire Schultz

Poetry

6th-8th grade

"December 5," Annabella Mi
"Evening," Roya McAllister
"Who Are We?," Supriya Tewari
"Whatever," Isolde Li
"You Can't Always Get What You Swamp," Gabriella Foster
"Sakura Blossoms," Lola Roberts
"Keys," Ryan Swisher
"Encore," Claudia Wang
"Books Are Just Paper and Ink," Zoe Ressler-Maerlender
"Marnie and I," Eleanor Nelson
"All That For Nothing," David Ikekhuah
"Please," Polly Taylor
"The Pen, The Poet, The Knife," Gracelyn Bruce-Watson
"The Song of Firian," Isaac Snyder

9th-10th grade

"Drowning," Alina Kendra
"trefoil," Malia Weber
"Regression," Erin Burchill
"Cookie-Cutter Girl," Yufei Fu

"Journey in Haiku," Lianne Liu
"Losing an Uncle," Anonymous
"Stages," Melissa Yang
"My Atlantis," Grace Colucci
"looking for blue," Mary Russell
"flower garden," Tova Weiss
"Need to forget (sonnet poem)," Madison Talsma
"The Growth Within Time," Anonymous
"Red, White, and Black," Natalie Guo
"Wishing," Sumaya Israt

11th-12th grade

"A Closing Revelation," Gracie Hou
"Scroll," Allysa Feldpausch
"#004225," Claire Schultz
"Will I Ever Get Out?," Mya Bertram
"Can You Hear Me?," Taryn Schmitz
"An Ode To Who You Will Become But Who You Have Always Been," Anna McLean
"Neverland," Anna Vanneste
"She, the Wind," Mya Weiss
"The Beach House," Anonymous
"What is love," Anonymous
"The Final Goodbye," Anonymous
"Entropy," Anonymous