

WRITING CONTEST FOR MEMBERS ONLY

All entries **must start with the same first line and end with the same last line** (see below).

Develop your story in any genre you choose using those sentences as the first and last ones.

Word count is 2,500 words or less per entry.

\$5 entry fee per submission (writers may submit multiple entries in multiple/same genres).

Entries may be submitted beginning April 11, 2022. Entries close May 7, 2022.

Winners will be announced at the June 2nd Open Mic meeting. First through third place winners will read their winning entries at that meeting.

Entries should be sent via email to sgwlcontact@gmail.com starting April 11th. If you have not received an email confirming your submission has been received, please contact dafeatherling@gmail.com and ask about it.

All contest guidelines must be followed to be eligible to participate.

There must be at least five entries (by five different persons) for the contest to be held.

Winning certificates awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd places and Honorable Mention.

Judges will receive anonymous entries.

Rules: May write in any fiction genre

Send entry as an attachment to an email (either Word .doc or .docx ONLY)

Double-spaced

Times New Roman, 12 pt. type

1" margins all around

Content should be PG-13 or below (no graphic sex, violence, gore, language)

Page number **ONLY** should be included in headers on each page

No title pages, please

Pages should be numbered in upper right-hand corner

If entry is disqualified from competing due to rules infringement, no refund of entry fee will be given.

Submission of an entry gives San Gabriel Writers' League permission to publish the entry (if a winner) on the SGWL website for up to three (3) months.

Judges' decisions are final and may not be appealed.

FIRST SENTENCE:

What do you pack when you have four minutes to leave?

LAST SENTENCE:

But, boy, there's a big part of me that wants to give it a shot.

Questions prior to submission should be directed to sgwlcontact@gmail.com