

# The Mill Valley Cultural Arts Umbrella Big Read Writing Competition Rules Form 2007

## Overview

In the Spirit of the Big Read, The Mill Valley Cultural Arts Umbrella (MVCAU) is seeking written submissions that are based on a reading of the book, "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee. The paperback version is available free at various locations within the Mill Valley communities for all those that may be interested. The written works should be thought provoking and reflect the themes in the book. **Entrants 19 and over** submissions can reflect various aspects of the book and facilitates further exploration of the issues addressed in the novel in both a historical and contemporary context. Writers are challenged to share their skills in conveying images which are socially relevant and accessible while continuing the dialogue that Harper Lee so eloquently begins in her book.

## Rules and Requirements

### Eligibility Criteria:

Any person residing, working or a student in one of the Mill Valley communities is eligible for the competition. Mill Valley communities include: Peabody Heights, Remington, Stone Hill, Wyman Park, Hampden, Medfield, and Woodberry

### Entry categories:

- Young Adult: 18 and under
- Adult: 19 and over
- Entries must prove date of birth, whether a student, employee/employer or resident prior to receiving any recognitions or awards

### Requirements and Rules:

- Each entry must be a personal written response to the book "To Kill a Mockingbird" or to the themes explored in the book. (See overview) All genres are accepted except no "book reports" please.
- Must be original work of individual entrant. No jointly written entries.
- Submission must be no more than 1500 words in length.
- Typed entries are encouraged but not required.
- Only one submission per entrant.
- All submissions must be accompanied by completed The Mill Valley Cultural Arts Umbrella Big Read Writing Competition 2007 Entry Form. Entry forms available at Hampden Branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, ACCE, Robert Poole Middle School, Green Mount School, Saint Thomas Aquinas School, breathe books, Salamander Books, Antreasian Gallery, Passion Fish Gallery, David's Restaurant, Action In Maturity offices, Mill Valley Garden and Farmers Market, community association web sites and on line at [www.millvalleyarts.com](http://www.millvalleyarts.com).
- Submission must be e-mailed to [awh@millvalleyarts.com](mailto:awh@millvalleyarts.com) or mailed to 3512 Poole Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21211 by no later than March 9, 2007. Late entries will not be accepted
- The writer shall permit his/her submission to be used for any other purposes-as designated by MVCAU and MPT Foundation, such as promotion and publication without the written consent of the Writer
- Winners will be published in the Mill Valley Cultural Arts Umbrella Magazine and website, and in Big Read sponsors and partner printed and electronic media.
- All entries will be acknowledged and all informed of contest outcome.

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The entrant is requested to fill in the application according to the rules and submit to: [www.millvalleyarts.com](http://www.millvalleyarts.com) , or mailed to 3512 Poole Street, Baltimore Maryland 21211. All applications must be post marked or time stamped by March 9, 2007. Refer to The Big Read Writing Competition Rules Form 2007 for further information.

**The following information must be completed to enter into the Big Read Writing  
Competition----ONE submission per person**

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Please check the category under which you are entering:

**18 and under**                    \_\_\_\_\_

**19 and over**                    \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School: (If applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Submission Title \_\_\_\_\_

The Writer has read the rules of the competition and the entry form and agrees to accept all conditions there of:

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

MVCAU signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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