# 2002

# West Virginia Writers Annual Spring Writing Competition Winners



## **Article or Essay Category**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – "Skinny" by Kathleen Furbee (Preston County)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – "Single-Minded" by Mary E. Sansom (Kanawha County)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place –** "How Women Writers Can Do It All" by Fay Thompson (Jackson County)

#### Honorable Mentions, in order:

- o "The Joy of Mowing" by Candace D. Jordan (Monongalia County)
- o "Hold the Senior Discounts" by Fay Thompson, (Jackson County)
- o "An Apology" by Tim Nichols, Burlington (Mineral County)
- o "Do You Love Him?" by Judith Stitzel (Monongalia County)
- "The Memory Box" by Phillis Knoll (Hancock County)
- "Night Trains" by Paul Dow Adams (Monongalia County)
- "My Guardian Angel" by Rebecca Conrad (Braxton County)

## Children's Book Category

1<sup>st</sup> Place – "The Golden Key" by Craig Etchison (Mineral County)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – "The Pyxis" by Zoe Farraris (Cabell County)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – "The Finisher" by Carley Amico (Ohio County)

#### Honorable Mentions, in order:

- o "Sonny Weather" by Alissa Isaacson (Monongalia County)
- o "Sam and Gram in the Windy City" by Shari A. Heywood (Kanawha County)
- o "The Wooflefooted Truffelump" by J.W. Sullivan (Barbour County)
- "Arf History" by Meg Hewitt (Greenbrier County)
- o "Boulder Village" by Lisa M. Sheldon (Calhoun County)
- o "Momma Loves to Summer Dance" by Jeff A. Mangus (Kanawha County)
- "Moondog" by Jorn Lynae Mork (Greenbrier County)

## **Drama Category**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place "Boobs" by Don Narkevic (Barbour County)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place "Rain in the Hollows" by Sean O'Leary (Jefferson County)
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place –** "Escape from Plumfield" by Arla Ralson (Kanawha County)

#### Honorable Mentions, in order:

- "Pinecrest Rest Haven" by Grace Cavalieri (Berkeley County)
- o "Y Mains" by David L. Gibson (Greenbrier County)
- o "Take My Hand" by Dustin Frazier (Brooke County)
- "Happily Ever After" by Joe McCabe (Berkeley County)

## **Emerging Writers Poetry Category**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place "A Letter to Mother" by Tim Dent (Kanawha)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place "Strings" by Mary Susan Imo (Kanawha County)
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place –** "Evening" by Randy Wilkins (Monongalia County)

#### Honorable Mentions, in order:

- o "Daddy's Off His Prozac" by Dustin M. Frazier (Brooke County)
- o "Not Yet Beyond Repair" by Susan Shaw Sailer (Marion County)
- "Love Poem" by Molly McClennen (Cabell County)
- o "Insecta Odanata" by Philip M. Keith (Marion County)
- o "Unrequited Co-Dependency" by Matthew C. Wolfe (Cabell County)
- o "I Named My Dog After My Ex-Wife" by Randy Wilkins (Monongalia County)
- "Acceleration Stress" by Tim Dent (Kanawha County)
- "Slamming at the Empty Glass" by Paul Elmo Keenan (Fayette County)
- o "Dad Plays the Violin" by Susan Shaw Sailer (Marion County)
- o "The Old Long House" by Patrick Bennett (Kanawha County)
- "Psychological Help" by Jeanne Wilson (Calhoun County)

## **Short Story Collection**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place "Through the Uneven Forest" by Paul Martin (Wayne County)
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Place –** "A Semblance of Purpose: Stories and Vignettes from Two Wars and a Host of Other Unpleasantness" by Robert Flanagan (Hampshire County)
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place –** "Ship & Shoes & Sealing Wax" by Joan Stewart (Pleasants County)

#### Honorable Mentions, in order:

- o "A Fountain of Learning" by Craig Etchison (Mineral County)
- "The Stories of My Mind" by Twyla Swiger Vincent (Harrison County)
- "Short Story Collection" by Joan McAteer (Kanawha County)

## Student Essay or Article

- 1st Place "The Perfect Dad" by Knute Rockne Scholl (Boone County)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place "One More Star" by Tonya Cox (Hampshire County)
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place –** "Existence of Dragons" by Geoff Seabolt (Putnam County)

#### Honorable Mentions, in order:

- "One Starry Night" by Laura Basford (Kanawha County)
- "The Return" by Beth Morrow (Greenbrier County)
- "Fourth Quarter" by Jake Heater (Braxton County)
- "Fundraisers Charles" by Justin Taylor (Mason County)
- "To Speak or Not to Speak: Bad Grammar Not So Bad" by Julie Green (Nicholas County)
- "Why Skateboarding Is Not a Crime" by Casey Moles (Kanawha County)
- o "Nanny" by Hillary J. Hamburg (Kanawha County)

## **Student Poetry Category**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Untitled by Megan McDonald (Berkeley County)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place "Child, Shadow Wolves, Lemonade" by Claire Berlin (Lewis County)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place "Silently Crying" by Ashley Lynn Reed (Wood County)

### Honorable Mentions, in order:

- "Jack" by Tyler Evans (Raleigh County)
- "Breath" by Summer Carpenter (Kanawha County)
- "Tired" by Lisa Go (Kanawha County)
- "Something to Write About" by Summer Carpenter (Kanawha County)
- "Sour & Words" by Ra'ed Abdel-Hadi (Kanawha County)
- "Know" by Samantha Derringer (Raleigh County)

## Student Short Story Category

- **1**<sup>st</sup> **Place –** "Journey to the Stars" by Sotmy Joelle Gabritsch (Nicholas County)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place "Not Like Yesterday" by Brittany D. Addair (McDowell County)
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place –** "Undying Love" by Tammy E. Abdalla (Kanawha County)

## Honorable Mentions, in order:

- "Canyon and the Dragons Cold" by Jeff Beary (Kanawha County) 0
- "The Worst Bible Bee Ever" by Cietta McCoy (Greenbrier County) 0
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- "Stilling" by Sarah Yao (Kanawha County)
  "It's All in the Music" by Michelle Goheen (Nicholas County) 0
- "Stay Out of the Hospital" by Rachel Howard (Mason County) 0
- "Life as a Butterfly" by Brittany D. Addair (McDowell County) 0
- "Conquest" by Chris Scott (Raleigh County) 0
- "Eleven Stairs" by Lydia Hager (Mercer County)
- "One More Star" by Tonya Cox (Hampshire County) 0
- "The Devil in the Forest" by Daniel Newberry (Mason County)