



**2018 Young Authors Competition
Entry Form**

This fully completed form must accompany the entry

Please type or print clearly:

Full Name of Author: _____ Age: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Entry Title: _____

Age Category: Age 8-10 Age 11-12 Age 13-18

Genre (Choose one): Scary Mystery Fantasy Adventure Humor Other

PLEASE NOTE: Each participant may submit up to **one** entry

PUBLICATION PERMISSION FORM

By signing this release form, each Child and Child's Parent/Legal Guardian gives permission to the Billings Public Library to use this entry in the Billings Public Library's Young Authors Competition for promotional purposes in any way deemed proper by the Billings Public Library without additional consent or payment to the child or anyone on the child's behalf claiming to have right to such payment. I retain all other copyrights for this entry.

Examples of how the story may be used by the Library:

- Included with an online collection of other Young Authors stories on the Billings Public Library's official website
- Educational or promotional presentations for any Billings Public Library sponsored programs that may be included in a media broadcast or print

There is no time limit on the validity of this release nor is there any geographic specification of where these materials may be distributed. The Child and the Child's Parent/Legal Guardian agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Billings Public Library, its officers, employees and agents from and against any and all claims, action, costs, judgments or damages of any type relating to the use of the story created for the Young Authors Contest.

I have received and read a copy of the official rules and understand that failure to follow these rules may result in disqualification of my entry. Minor's initials: _____ Parent or Guardian initials: _____

Minor's Name (type or print): _____

Name as you want it published online or in promotions: _____

Minor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/guardian name (type or print clearly): _____

Parent/guardian signature _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

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Official Rules**

Submission Deadline: Received at the Library in person, by mail or online by August 4, 2018

RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED OR ENTRY MAY BE DISQUALIFIED

1. Eligible authors must be 8-18 years of age as of July 1, 2018.
2. A participant may submit up to 1 story. A completed entry form and publication permission form must accompany each submission.
3. Stories must be no less than 1300 words and no more than 3000 words.
4. Stories must include a title page that contains only the following information:

Title - Your name - Age group - Genre
5. Begin the story on the page following the title page.
6. Entries must not have been previously published.
7. Entries must be typewritten and double-spaced on 8 ½ x 11 white paper.
8. Preferable fonts to use are Arial, Times New Roman, Calibri and other like fonts. Do not use cursive, all caps, complicated or other hard-to-read fonts.
9. If submitting in person or by mail, entries can be submitted starting July 6, 2018. Send Entry Form, Publication Submission Form and story with title page to:

Children's Services
Billings Public Library
510 N. Broadway
Billings, MT 59101
10. If submitting online, entries can be submitted on our website starting July 6, 2018
 - Access the entry form from the link on the Children's page on the Library website starting July 6, 2018.
 - Complete the entry form.
 - Complete the Publication Permission Acknowledgement check boxes and initial the permission.
 - Upload the story file in PDF format.
 - Provide your email address below the upload box if you wish to receive a copy of your submission.
11. All story submissions MUST include the completed Publication Submission Form or online Publication Permission Acknowledgement with initials and be received at the Library by August 4, 2018.

The Billings Public Library has permission to include my entry in the online book containing all entries in the 2018 Billings Public Library Young Author's Competition. I retain all other copyrights for this entry. *I have received and read a copy of the official rules and understand that failure to follow these rules may result in disqualification of my entry.*