



DOROTHY SHAW YOUNG WRITERS COMPETITION 2009

2009 Theme : “Book Safari”

(The use of the Book Week Theme has been permitted by the Children’s Book Council of Australia)

Your First Name: Surname:.....

Home Address:

Suburb:..... State:..... Post Code:.....

Daytime Phone (TTY) Voice:..... Fax:.....

Mobile: Email:..... Date of Birth:.....

Your Age Group: Junior 6 – 8 years [] Upper Primary 9 – 11 years []

Senior 12 – 15 years [] Young Adult 16 – 18 years []

Your School :.....

Address of School:.....

State:..... Post Code: Email:

Phone (TTY) Voice: Fax:

I agree that I am submitting an original and creative story. My work and photo is submitted with the knowledge that they may be used by Deaf Australia Inc to promote the Dorothy Shaw Young Writers Competition.

Your Signature: Date:

Authorisation by parent/teacher that the information on this form is correct and that the entrant is Deaf or a Hard of Hearing.

Signature: Print Name:

Date: Contact Phone No: [] Parent [] Teacher

Official Entry Form

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COMPETITION GUIDELINES – 2009

- 1 The theme for 2009 is “Book Safari” This is the theme chosen by the Children’s Book Council of Australia. Your story should follow this theme. Think about a really cool title for your story rather than using the theme as the title.
- 2 You must be aged between 6 – 18, live in Australia, and be Deaf or Hard of Hearing.
- 3 Your entry must be a short story with a clear beginning and end. Stories are limited to 1,000 words. Please do not send extracts from longer stories. Stories can be in written form or signed in Auslan onto a DVD or tape. DVD’s or tapes to be limited to 10 mins.
- 4 Your story **must** be original, imaginative and involve the reader in the story. Biographies (stories about your life) will not be accepted.
- 5 Your story will not be judged on the accuracy of English grammar or structure. Original artwork is invited, but is not essential. Artwork can be returned at the end of the competition if requested.
- 6 An entry, completed in full, must accompany your story. Entry forms may be downloaded from www.deafau.org.au or obtained from the Deaf Australia Inc. Office in Brisbane.
- 7 Please send in a passport size school photograph of yourself with your entry. Entries not accompanied by a photograph will not be considered. Digital, scanned or photocopied photo will not be accepted. All photos will be returned if requested.
- 8 You can enter one story only.
- 9 Make sure your entry is posted no later than **5 pm on Friday, 14th August 2009**.
- 10 All entries to be posted to The Dorothy Shaw Young Writers Competition Co-ordinator, Deaf Australia Inc., PO Box 1083, Stafford QLD 4053.
- 11 The winners will be announced during National Week of Deaf People – 10 to 16 October 2009 and will be shown on the Deaf Australia Inc. website at www.deafau.org.au as well as in our newsletter, Deaf Australia Outlook.
- 12 Winners and unsuccessful entrants may re-enter the competition in any year up to and including the age of 18 years.
- 13 The judging panel’s decision will be final.
- 14 These rules may change from year to year and the competition may not be promoted in a particular year subject to a decision by Deaf Australia Inc.
- 15 All winners will receive a cash prize. The school that each first prize winner attends will receive a Gift Voucher to be used at Deaf Australia’s – The Auslan Shop.
- 16 For details about competition prizes and for further information please visit www.deafau.org.au.

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