

Entry Form Best New Canadian Christian Author Contest 2008 Sponsored by Castle Quay Books Canada

Instructions

Refer to the Guidelines for Submissions to read the complete instructions before filling out this form.

A complete entry consists of:

- THREE copies of the manuscript (good quality photocopies are acceptable).
- FOUR copies of the completed entry form.
- Cheque made payable to The Word Guild for the correct entry fee.

Entries must be received no later than November 30, 2007.

All entries must be sent to the address below.

Best New Author Contest
The Word Guild
Box 34
Port Perry ON L9L 1A2

For courier deliveries, address the package to:
Best New Author Contest
Attn. Jane Twohey
572 Fralicks Beach Road
Port Perry, ON L9L 1B6

Entrants are advised to keep a copy of their submitted work for their own protection. Castle Quay Books Canada and The Word Guild will not be responsible for lost, damaged or mislaid manuscripts.

Manuscripts will not be returned.

The entry form is available in Adobe PDF and Microsoft Word formats.

Hints about completing the entry form:

- Ensure that all photocopies are sharp and easily readable.
- Print clearly with dark ink, or keyboard your answers into the Word document. Please use bold font for your answers.
- Answer the questions briefly but carefully when you explain your purpose/objective; target audience; how your underlying Christian worldview informs and influences the work; etc. The judges use your answers to evaluate your manuscript.
- Be specific; for example, do not describe your target audience as “all Christians.”

PLEASE DO NOT MAKE ANY CHANGES TO THE ENTRY FORM.

Entry Form for Best New Canadian Christian Author Contest 2008

Complete and submit all 3 pages of this form.

Title of entry: _____

Author's name: _____

Author's address: _____

Author's daytime phone: _____ Author's evening phone _____

Author's email: _____

Do you qualify as a first-time author, according to the Guidelines? _____

Do you have Canadian citizenship or legal permanent resident status? _____

Do you affirm The Apostles' Creed? (see Guidelines for text) _____

Your denominational affiliation, if any: _____

Your occupation _____

Your educational background _____

How would you categorize your manuscript? Circle, underline or highlight the category most applicable.

1. Nonfiction - Life Stories (biography, autobiography, memoir, family history, etc.)
2. Nonfiction - Christian Living (personal growth, inspirational, spirituality, etc.)
3. Nonfiction - Biblical Studies (devotional, discipleship, etc.)
4. Nonfiction - Apologetics/Evangelism
5. Nonfiction - Relationships (friendship, marriage, family, congregation, etc.)
6. Nonfiction - Culture (contemporary social issues, missions, global affairs, etc.)
7. Nonfiction - Leadership (theology, ethics, philosophy, history, academic, theoretical, etc.)
8. Nonfiction - Instructional (how-to, training, reference, etc.)
9. Nonfiction - Young Adult
10. Fiction - Young Adult
11. Fiction - Contemporary Novel
12. Fiction - Historical Novel (includes Westerns)
13. Fiction - Romance Novel
14. Fiction - Mystery/suspense Novel
15. Fiction - Futuristic Novel

What is the word count of your manuscript? _____

Target audience for entry: _____

Purpose/objective of the work? I.e., What were you hoping to achieve in writing this work? What is the need your manuscript addresses, and how does your work answer that need?

How does your manuscript compare with other books in your genre currently on the market? What distinguishes your book from the others?

How does your underlying Christian worldview inform and influence the work?

What is your particular expertise, if any, in the subject matter of the manuscript? (experience, academic, etc.)

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What can you bring as potential marketing avenues for this book? Do you have a network of contacts that could be used in promoting this book? (e.g., public speaker; connections with a particular constituency). Describe.

Could you potentially obtain any endorsements from recognized names or experts in a relevant field? Describe.

How did you find out about this contest (i.e., in what publication, on what web site, etc.)?

If you would like to receive acknowledgment of the receipt of this entry, enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or write your email address on the following line:

Which category of entry do you choose? (Circle or highlight)

1. **Category One.** \$50 entry fee. Receive no judges' critiques. Enclose cheque payable to The Word Guild for \$53.00 Cdn (\$50+ \$3.00 GST) for residents of Canada. For non-residents of Canada, enclose cheque for \$50.00 US.
2. **Category Two.** \$150 entry fee. Receive two judges' critiques. Enclose cheque payable to The Word Guild for \$159.00 Cdn (\$150 + \$9.00 GST) for residents of Canada. For non-residents of Canada, enclose cheque for \$150.00 US.

What amount in entry fees have you enclosed? \$ _____

I affirm that I have read and agree to the conditions outlined in the Guidelines for Submissions for the Best New Canadian Christian Author Contest; that the work submitted is an original, never-before-published manuscript written by me; that it has not been simultaneously submitted to another book publisher anywhere in the world while it is being considered for this contest; and that all answers provided are accurate.

Signature _____

Date _____