



2008 Young Writers' Contest



Philadelphia Science Fiction Society
P.O. Box 8303; Philadelphia, PA 19101

April 18, 2008

Dear Young Writer:

The Philadelphia Science Fiction Society invites you to enter its 2008 "Young Writers' Contest."

- The contest is open to students in grades 5-12.
- There will be separate winners for Middle School (grades 5-8) and High School (grades 9-12).
- Each contest will have a prize of \$100 for first place and a prize of \$50 for second place.
- The winners will also each receive two full memberships for this year's Philadelphia Science Fiction Conference (Philcon). If the winner is already a member of the 2008 Philcon, these memberships may be used for the 2009 Philcon.
- Both science fiction and fantasy stories are eligible.
- Stories should be 1,000 words or less for grades 5-8 and 3,000 words or less for grades 9-12.
- **A contestant may submit only one story.** This story must be accompanied by a copy of the submission form, which is included below.
- A contestant's contact information (name and address) must ***NOT*** appear in the story. All contact information should be on the submission form. The title should be on every page of the story.
- Stories must be postmarked or sent electronically by **Midnight on Saturday, October 18, 2008**. Send the stories to: ***Young Writers' Contest; Philadelphia Science Fiction Society; P.O. Box 8303; Philadelphia, PA 19101*** or by e-mail to: ***StoryContest@philcon.org***. Stories may be submitted electronically in .pdf, .doc, .rtf, or .txt format.
- Stories will be judged by members of the Philadelphia Science Fiction Society. No first or second prize will be given in either age group if the judges feel that no story is deserving of a prize.
- Prizes will be awarded at the 2008 Philcon, November 21-23, 2008. Winners are welcome to bring guests to the award ceremony.

Lew Wolkoff
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Contest Chairman



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Submission Form



Name: _____

Grade: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ (optional)

Story Title: _____

Contest Code Number (we enter this)

Remember, your contact information should **NOT** appear in the story. All entries **MUST** be accompanied by a copy of this form.

Send your entry and this form to *Young Writers' Contest; Philadelphia Science Fiction Society; P.O. Box 8303; Philadelphia, PA 19101* or by e-mail to:

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Deadline for entries is midnight on Saturday, October 18, 2008.