



Missouri Writing Region of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards



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Young Artists and Writers

What do Truman Capote, Frances Farmer, John Lithgow, Joyce Maynard, Bernard Malamud, Joyce Carol Oates, Sylvia Plath, and Robert Redford have in common? They received Scholastic Contest Awards as teenagers for their creative work.

Encourage your students, grades 7 – 12, to participate in The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Contest of 2012. Visit www.artandwriting.org for

- Submission guidelines and contest entry forms (forms available online September 15; Missouri Writing Awards submission deadline—January 11, 2012);
- Virtual galleries of past award-winning art and writing;
- Information about winners' exhibitions, publications, and scholarships.

Missouri Region* Writing Awards winners and their teachers will be honored at the 2012 Write-to-Learn Conference in Osage Beach, MO, on Friday, March 2, 2012.

Missouri student winners will receive;

- Gold Key, Silver Key, or Certificate of Merit awards and certificates;
- Copy of *The Best Teen Writing of 2011: Selected national award recipients from The Scholastic Awards of 2011*;
- An autographed copy of a featured speaker's book at this year's Write-to-Learn Conference.

All Missouri Region* winning entries will be published online in the 2012 edition of *Missouri Youth Write*. Gold Key winners' work will also be judged for national awards and scholarships, with winners honored at Scholastic's Celebration Events in New York in June 2012.

Questions?

Email us at scholastic@missouriwestern.edu OR visit our Missouri Writing Region website at www.missouriwestern.edu/mowriting

Read this year's winning contest writings in the 2011 edition of **Missouri Youth Write:**
www.missouriwestern.edu/mowriting/winners/myw11.pdf

*Includes schools in the greater Kansas City, KS, area

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