

The Arts Council of Mansfield Inc.

MAD Tales 2015 submission guidelines

The Arts Council of Mansfield **MAD Tales** project is a celebration of local writing by new, emerging and unpublished writers in Mansfield. Entry is free. We invite submissions of writing by children, young people and adults. Approximately 20 pieces of writing will be selected and published in a book designed and printed here in Mansfield. Each writer whose work has been selected in the book will receive a free copy, will work with an editor and will be invited to read their work at the launch party in late October as part of the Spring Arts Festival.

MAD Tales important dates:

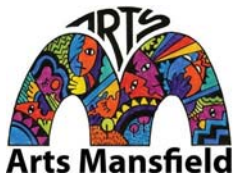
Friday 18 September 2015 Entries close at midnight. If posting, the envelope must be postmarked on or before 18 September.

Tuesday 6 October, 2015 Announcement of the writing to be included in the booklet

Thursday 29 October, 2015 Launch party with readings by authors – 6:00pm at The Deck on High, 15 High St, Mansfield

Entry conditions

1. We are looking for writing by local, unpublished authors. The award is open to writers living in Mansfield (and district) who have not yet had their writing published commercially (i.e. by a commercial or independent publisher).
2. Enter your writing in your age category - child (up to 12 years), youth (13-18 years) and adult (19 years and above)
3. There is no theme. You can submit poetry, prose or non-fiction.
4. Maximum word length 2000 words for short stories and non-fiction. Maximum poetry length 100 lines.
5. Submissions must be unpublished (including online) and not under consideration by publishers or entered into another competition.
6. You must include an entry form with your submission.
7. Your name must not appear on the submission itself (including the header or footer), as all pieces will be considered anonymously.
8. You can submit up to three pieces of writing. Selection will be made by a committee of writers, editors and teachers, who will select 'blind' (without knowing the author's name)
9. The selection committee's decision will be final. No discussion.
10. Entries close at midnight, Friday 18 September 2015.
 - a. If posting, the envelope must be postmarked on or before 18 September.
 - b. If emailing, entries must be sent no later than midnight on 18 September 2015
11. Stories should be typed in 12 point font and double spaced
12. Entries will not be returned. Please keep a copy for your own records
13. Any submission that does not meet these criteria will be ineligible.



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MAD Tales 2015 - Entry Form

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Please read the guidelines before submitting your writing

Your name

Telephone number

Email address

Postal Address

Your submission/s

You can submit one, two or three pieces of writing to be included in *MAD Tales*

Name of 1st submission

Name of 2nd submission.....

Name of 3rd submission.....

Select your age category

Child (up to and including 12 years)

Youth (13-18 years)

Adult (19 years or older)

Where to send entries

Email: with attachments in Microsoft Word™ or PDF format to

artscouncilmansfield@gmail.com

or

Post: Send hard copies printed single-sided on white A4 paper to:

The Arts Council of Mansfield
PO Box 34, Mansfield 3722

More information

Did we miss something? Need us to clarify something? Contact Miriam (coordinator)

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