



The Arts Council of Lincoln County announces the 28th  
Annual Flo Robinson Literary Competition.

The Arts Council of Lincoln County is holding its annual Flo Robinson Literary Competition. The trustees of Mrs. Robinson's estate established this competition to memorialize her lifelong interest in poetry and prose and to encourage writers to pursue excellence in their craft.

**Poetry Entries:** one per person, on any subject, in any style, free verse, blank verse, or rhymed and should be limited to 32 lines or less.

**Prose Entries:** one per person, an essay or short story on any subject, limited to approximately 750 words.

Entries in prose and poetry must be titled, original, unpublished, and must never have won a cash award before.

The competition is open to students in public and private schools and to adults. All entrants must be present or past residents of Lincoln County. Each school is asked to screen its entries and must submit only the best works. Student entries must come through the school.

**Awards:** Prize money (\$500) will be equally divided between prose and poetry in the following categories:

Elementary Schools	grades 3 – 5	1 <sup>st</sup> prize: \$20 2 <sup>nd</sup> prize: \$15 3 <sup>rd</sup> prize: \$10
Middle Schools	grades 6 – 8	1 <sup>st</sup> prize: \$20 2 <sup>nd</sup> prize: \$15

		3 <sup>rd</sup> prize: \$10
High Schools	grades 9 – 12	1 <sup>st</sup> prize: \$25 2 <sup>nd</sup> prize: \$15 3 <sup>rd</sup> prize: \$10
Adults	18 and over	1 <sup>st</sup> prize: \$60 2 <sup>nd</sup> prize: \$40 3 <sup>rd</sup> prize: \$25

**Entry Rules:** Submit two typewritten, double space copies of your entry. One copy must include the following information in the upper right-hand corner: full name (age, if a student), address, telephone number, category (prose or poetry), age group (grades 3-5, 6-8, 9-12; or adult), school (if applicable). The second copy should include only the poem, essay or story.

Student entries must be submitted through participating school system  
All entries must be postmarked by April 4, 2011

*Late entries will not be accepted.* All entries should be mailed to: the Arts Council of Lincoln County Literary Competition, P.O. Box 45, Lincolnton, North Carolina 28092.

An awards ceremony and reading will be held April 21, 2011.

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