

Chorley & District Writers' Circle National Short Story Competition 2016

Theme – 'Toxic'

Word count – 2,500 absolute maximum.

Deadline – 31st July 2016

Judge - Fiction Feedback

Entry fee - £5

Prizes - 1st - £100, 2nd - £50 and 3rd - £30

Publication - The three winning stories will be published in Aware, our annual anthology. Shortlisted authors will be listed with their titles in Aware and on the website. All rights remain with authors.

Eligibility - Stories should not have been published in print at all, or on more than two digital platforms. Stories should not have won first prize in any other competition. We would prefer to see new, original work. The use of the theme will be a key factor in judging.

Entry is by post or online.

Use a cover sheet to provide your name, address, email, contact number and the title and first line of your story. Ensure your name and details do not appear on the story itself. If emailing, please email two separate documents: the cover sheet and the story.

Post: Send your story to Chorley & District Writers' Circle at 3 Dale View, Chorley, Lancashire PR7 3QJ.

Email: Send to mail@chorleywriters.org.uk and put 'short story entry' as the subject.

Payment is by cheque or by PayPal.

Cheque: Make it out to Chorley & District Writers' Circle and send it to us at 3 Dale View, Chorley, Lancashire PR7 3QJ. If you email your story separately, please include a copy of your cover sheet with your cheque so we can marry it up with your online entry.

PayPal: Please ensure we can identify the payee with the author of your story. If you experience any difficulty or uncertainty about entry or payment, please contact Dea Parkin on mail@chorleywriters.org.uk or dea@fictionfeedback.co.uk

We cannot enter into any discussion about your story itself, only the mechanics of entry.

Thank you – and good luck.