

### **Northern Narratives Junior Rules and Guidelines:**

Do not put your name on your entries – names should only be on your entry forms.

For authors:

- Writing entries (short stories, essays, poems) need to be typed or written in black ink on 8.5 x 11 inch white paper. Pages need to be single sided – do not write or draw on both sides of the paper.
- Short stories can be accompanied by illustrations (not in a comic book style); illustrations must be on the same page as text and entry is limited to four (4) pages.
- Short stories (with no illustrations) and essays are limited to two (2) pages single spaced or four (4) pages double spaced.
- Poems are limited to one (1) page (single or double spaced).
- Comics are limited to four (4) pages including both drawings and text. Comics must be outlined in black ink but color may be used to fill them in.
- Acceptable media for comics and illustrations are colored pencils, markers, crayons, or digital color. No collage or paint will be accepted.
- Do not use copyrighted characters in illustrations.

For artists:

- Drawings must be on white 8.5 x 11 inch paper. Drawings may include color.
- Acceptable media for drawings are colored pencils, markers, crayons, or digital color. No collage or paint will be accepted.
- Drawings may be vertical or horizontal, but vertical will display best.
- Do not use notebook or lined paper.
- Digital entries must be scanned. Photos of drawings will not be accepted.
- Do not use copyrighted characters in drawings.

For photographers:

- Photographs must be high resolution images (at least 300 dpi is recommended).
- Photographs may be vertical or horizontal, but vertical will display best.

Submissions may be made three ways:

- By mail – each entry must include an entry form  
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Fargo, ND 58102  
Attention: Amber Emery
- Email – send to [kids@fargolibrary.org](mailto:kids@fargolibrary.org)  
Each entry should be a separate email and include an entry form. Email entries can be Word documents or PDFs. For photographs, email entries should be JPEG format.
- In Person – drop off entries at any Fargo Public Library location. Each entry must include an entry form. Please do not staple your entry – paperclips or envelopes work best.