

Climate+ Challenge Creative Writing Student Contest

KPU students can submit to one or both categories: Poetry or Prose. (No more than one submission per category.)

Contest criteria:

A submission

- engages creatively and concretely with climate+ issues
- pays attention to form
- appeals to the senses
- tells a compelling story / offers a compelling perspective
- is not more than 3000 words for prose submissions or 1-3 poems, maximum of 50 lines total for all poems
- is an original submission (e.g., not A.I.-generated or A.I.-augmented)
- is unpublished

In addition to the contest criteria, here are some tips:

Since the Climate+ Challenge's mandate is solutions-oriented, we may favour entries offering hope for the future.

The "+" in "climate+" indicates that climate change entails social inequities and expands the term to open to the many ways that climate change intersects with injustice.

(The following tip is adapted from pulp MAG.) If you are writing about identities outside of your own experience, please do so with the utmost care and sensitivity and please ask yourself why you want to tell this story.

First place for each category: \$100 and publication in pulp MAG.

Second place for each category: \$50 Third place for each category: \$25

Deadline to submit: by midnight Monday February 28, 2024

Winners will be announced in early March. Judges will have final determination of winning entries.

Please make your submissions here