Solomon Valley Highway 24 Heritage Alliance

Visit us at: www.hwy24.org

Please E-mail Submissions To:
svhwy24alliance@gmail.com

We prefer that you submit by e-mail
but if you must use US Mail, please send to:

Call for Valley Voice
SV 24 Heritage Alliance
P.O. Box 572
Glasco, Kansas 67445

12th CALL FOR VALLEY VOICES! ~ *Continuing our mission to cultivate and inspire writers!*

The Solomon Valley Hwy 24 Heritage Alliance invites writers of or about Northwest & North Central Kansas to submit work for this annual call initiated in 2005. Our continued challenge for *Valley Voices*! is to solicit well written, fresh writing. Our panel of judges includes an experienced group of notable Kansas writers.

Deadline: November 1, 2016

Incentive:

- Awards will be announced in January, 2017 at the Solomon Valley Hwy 24 Heritage Alliance Annual Meeting.
- Selected work will be published in the *Solomon Valley Anthology* during 2017.
- Winning entries will be published on our web site at www.hwy24.org

Submission Instructions

Cover Page

You must include a separate cover page with the following information:

1. Name
2. Address
3. City, State & Zip
4. Phone#
5. E-mail address
6. Category of entry(s) as (described below) and, the title of your entry(s) -- "Youth" = 18 years old or younger

- POETRY Youth, or Adult -- Limit 3, each on a separate page; preferably, poems should have a left margin, not centered.
- FICTION Youth, or Adult -- Limit 2; each limited to 10 pages or fewer and double spaced.
- ESSAY Youth, or Adult -- *Limit 2; each must be limited to 10 pages or fewer and double spaced.
- AUTOBIOGRAPHY Youth, or Adult -- *Limit 2; each must be limited to 10 pages or fewer and double spaced.

Examples: Poetry Youth – Title(s): Harvest Time, Fishing with Grandpa
Autobiography Adult – Title: My Grandmother's County Kitchen

Manuscripts

1. Do NOT use font type smaller than this: 12 pt -- Times New Roman *or equivalent* type or size.
2. Do NOT write your name on any submitted manuscript (only on your Cover Page)
3. Do NUMBER *ALL* pages
4. Do include the TITLE of your entry at the *top* of EACH page.

Additional Instructions

We prefer that you submit by ***e-mail*** to svhwy24alliance@gmail.com -- Your submission(s) should be **"attached"** in a Microsoft Word or Rich Text Format document. Please included a short cover note in your e-mail body stating that this is a Writing Contest submision. When naming your documents do so simply with your name and submission type, such as: *Ex. 1:* John Doe, Youth Poetry / *Ex. 2:* BJones, Adult Autobio. – IF you cannot submit by e-mail, we will make exceptions. See our US mailing address at the top of this page. Mailed submissions must be printed on printed on 8½ x 11 paper.

***More About Essays and Autobiographies** (be careful NOT to get these 2 different writing types mixed up!)

A. The **essay** category is for a composition about a **particular theme or subject *other than* a strictly family and / or personal experience,** but which may include personal points of view as well as analysis and interpretation. *The focus of the essay is a topic other than yourself*, although you may be involved in the story. An essay may be written in third-person form. An example might be "The Effects on Small Towns of the Loss of Rail Service" or "Closing the School" or "Losing a Hospital."

B. The **autobiography** category is for those **personal and family experiences in which the experience is on you, the writer.** It is a first-person perspective, something you share about your experiences, relationships, influences, feelings. An example might be "How Grandma Taught Me to Drive a Truck" or "The Best Teacher I Ever Had Never Went to School."