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The Norman Mailer Center and Writers Colony and the National Council of Teachers of English are pleased to invite submissions for the 2013 Norman Mailer Writing Award for Middle School and High School Teachers. Full- and part-time teachers are eligible to enter the competition.

From five finalists, one winner will be selected to receive a \$5,000 cash prize to be presented at an award ceremony in Fall 2013.

The competition is limited to works of non-fiction. Entries will be accepted March 1–July 23, 2013, Noon CST.

JUDGING CRITERIA

Submissions will be read by national panels of teachers and will be judged by how well they achieve the following qualities: handling of image, plot, character, or other elements; originality; insight, voice, and style; and overall aesthetic, emotional, or intellectual effect. Stories that receive high ratings from the teacher panels will be submitted to a distinguished panel of authors selected by the Norman Mailer Center, who will choose the winning entry. Previous judges included William Kennedy, Sigrid Nunez, Colum McCann and other accomplished authors.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Entries will be accepted online only and may include one piece of writing, maximum 20 single-spaced pages.

Apply online at http://www.ncte.org/awards/nmwa.

One winner and four finalists will be notified in early September. Results will be posted on the NCTE website: www.ncte.org.

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*Funding for travel to the awards ceremony for the award winner is limited to coach airfare within the continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii. Outside of the US, a \$500 USD payment toward travel will be allowed. Hotel/lodging at the awards event will be covered.

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