The National Council of Teachers of English invites you to explore and celebrate the integral role writing has in each of our lives by participating in the National Day on Writing/National Gallery of Writing.

**WHO?**
Everyone! We encourage everyone to submit a piece of writing: students, teachers, parents, grandparents, service and industrial workers, managers, business owners, legislators, retirees, and many more.

**WHAT?**
A National Day on Writing—October 20, 2009 and a National Gallery of Writing where you can contribute any type of writing composition that matters to you.

**WHEN?**
October 20, 2009 is the big day, but don’t let that stop you from participating NOW. The National Gallery of Writing is open for submissions and Local Partner Galleries are being formed in anticipation of the big day.

**WHERE?**
Online at [www.galleryofwriting.org](http://www.galleryofwriting.org) and in small towns and large cities nationwide. Writing is for everyone and is everywhere.

**WHY?**
Because we, as a nation, are writing like never before—through text messages and IMs, with video cameras and cell phones, and, yes, even with traditional pen and paper. Whether it is done in a notebook or on a blog, writing, in its many forms, has become daily practice for millions of Americans.

**HOW?**
Help us put writing front and center by:

- **Starting a Local Gallery:** Curators wanted. You can start a local gallery for your classroom, your town, or your civic group. Once your gallery is established, you can solicit writing on any topic or theme you’d like—the possibilities are endless!

- **Contributing Your Writing:** Writers come from all walks of life, and everyone has something important to share.
  
  Upload your writing—whether it’s a story, a video montage, an audio file, or a photo—to the gallery of your choice.

- **Celebrating Writing Nationwide:** Join us—and thousands of other Americans—as we declare October 20, 2009 the National Day on Writing. Events are being planned nationwide on this day. For more information on how you can help celebrate, visit [www.ncte.org/dayonwriting](http://www.ncte.org/dayonwriting).

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