

# Missouri Literary Festival/Springfield News-Leader APPLICATION FORM CIVIL WAR CHALLENGE SHORT FICTION CONTEST

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Directions: Please provide the requested information and attach with your story submission.

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## TELL US WHO YOU ARE

Author Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pseudonym (if used): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Story Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Write a brief blurb about your story:

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## CIVIL WAR CHALLENGE WRITING CONTEST GUIDELINES

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1. Each story must be no longer than 3,000 words.
2. Each story must be the unpublished (and not under consideration of being published), original work of the entrant.
3. All entries must be accompanied by an official entrance form, which contains the name, address, e-mail address, and phone number of the author, as well as the title of the story. Each entry must be typed, double-spaced on one side of 8+1/2 x 11 paper and no longer than 3,000 words. Please submit the story using Microsoft Word or as an RTF Text file.
4. Any fiction genre is allowed but the story must contain some element (such as setting, character, theme) related to the United States Civil War.
5. Author should also email a copy of your manuscript to [FictionPrize@gmail.com](mailto:FictionPrize@gmail.com) .
6. Names and copyright markings must be omitted from the manuscript, which will go to judges

anonymously. Include the title and page number at the head or foot of each page.

7. A \$10 fee is required when the story is submitted. Personal checks or postal money orders preferred.

8. Do not send originals – no entries will be returned.

9. Entries must be received no later than 9:00 PM, Friday, July 1, 2011. Mail a print copy of your story to William Brandon Bowman, Chairman, Missouri Literary Festival, The Creamery Arts Center, 411 North Sherman Parkway, Springfield, MO 65802.

10. Copyrights of winning manuscripts remain in the name of the authors, but the Missouri Literary Festival reserves the right to publish any story entries for print and electronic distribution.

11. Cash prizes will be awarded to the National, Missouri and People’s Choice story winner and first runner up. \$100 for Story Winners and and \$50 for first runner-up in each of the three categories.

By signing this application form I agree to be bound to the Missouri Literary Festival – Civil War Challenge Short Fiction Contest Guidelines.

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Signature of Author (and/or Legal Guardian)

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Date