



ARTS COUNCIL OF NEW WESTMINSTER

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At the Arts Council of New Westminister, we live and work on the unceded, traditional territories of the Coast Salish peoples of the QayQayt (qiqéyt) Nation as well as all Coast Salish Nations.

LITFEST NEW WEST
DARYCHUK LAW SHORT STORY COMPETITION

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS 2019

LitFest New West aims to be a festival that features a variety of literary arts by a wide range of artists from the Metro Vancouver region. The festival aims to reflect both the cultural and artistic diversity of contemporary art and to serve as an educational forum for the citizens of New Westminister and surrounding communities. This short story competition is open to applications from both established and emerging artists.

Arts Council wishes to highlight how diverse our community is, and in order to break down any exclusionary barriers and create a platform for marginalized voices, artists on the LGBTQ spectrum, non-binary artists, artists of colour, Indigenous artists, and disabled artists, are strongly encouraged to submit.

**Submissions will be received up to 4:00pm on
Thursday January 31, 2019**





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Overview:

The Arts Council of New Westminister and the New West Hospice Society have partnered to present a short story competition with the goal to make New Westminister a compassionate city where conversations and messages about loss and healing are normal. For the most part, our community is death-denying and we seek to create a dialogue that encourages individuals to share their stories and journeys on these issues. Our intention is to galvanize the community to share stories that investigate the personal journey we all make through life, until our deaths.

Theme: Compassion through sharing stories of loss, grief and healing

This Call for Submissions is open to emerging and established artists. A jury of professional artists and representatives of the ACNW and NW Hospice Society will adjudicate the submissions.

Results will be announced during LitFest New West 2019. All winners will be published on www.litfestnewwest.com in April 2019.

Eligibility:

- Open to anyone regardless of where they reside.
- One entry per person and story must not have been previously published in print or on the web.
- LitFest New West Organizing Committee Members are not eligible to participate.

Prize:

Adult Category: 19 years of age or greater

- First Prize - \$1,000
- Second Prize \$500
- Third Prize - \$250

Youth Category: 15 - 18 years of age

- First Prize - \$1,000
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Contest Entry Fees

Adult Category (19+) entries: \$20

Youth Category (15-18 years) entries: Free





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Word Count

Adult: Min: 1,200 – Max. 1,500

Children/Youth (15-18 years) - Min: 500 – Max. 1,000

How to Submit Entries:

- Entries should be typed, double-spaced, in a clear twelve-point font, and the pages numbered.
- Submissions will be accepted attached via email in a docx file format only.
- Include a separate cover letter with title of story, full name, a headshot photo in jpg format, bio (50 words max), address, phone number, email address, word count, and number of pages of entry.
- Entries must be emailed to info@acnw.ca
- Entry fee can be paid via e-transfer to payment@acnw.ca, password: lifestnewwest

Deadlines for submission is 4:00pm on Thursday January 31, 2019.

The Jury Process:

The jury will read submissions during February 2019. All artist entries will receive an invitation to LitFest New West in Spring 2019. Winners will not be notified in advance of LitFest New West.

Estimated Timeline:

October 15, 2018	Call for Submissions Launched
January 31, 2019	Deadline to submit
February 2019	Jury to review submissions
March 2019	Jury results to be tabulated
Spring 2019	LitFest New West – Winners announced

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About the Arts Council of New Westminster

Founded in 1967, The Arts Council of New Westminster is a community arts organization built by individuals and member groups who share an interest in visual, performing and literary arts. The Arts Council's role in the community is to advocate for the arts and foster support for those engaging in artistic and cultural endeavors.

More info: <http://www.acnw.ca>

About the New West Hospice Society

New West Hospice Society was incorporated in August 2016 with the goal of working to make New Westminster a Compassionate City where neighbour helps neighbour at end of life and where talking about dying, death and grief are not taboo subjects.

More info: <https://newwesthospice.ca/>

About Darychuk Law

Darychuk Law is a local law firm specializing in estate litigation. Dale Darychuk, Q.C. is a long time New Westminster resident and is pleased to sponsor events that champion our local artists.

More info: <https://www.darychuklaw.com/>

