



Northland Schools Year 7 & 8 Short Story Competition

Opens 1 June 2025, closes 31 August 2025

First Place \$100

Second place \$60

Third Place \$40

Judges: Fraser Smith and Anne McMichael

Entry forms: Emailed entries only. Download entry forms at: <https://northlandauthors.co.nz/>

No entry fee and no limit to the number of entries a school/student can make. As our judges are not fluent in Te Reo Māori, all entries will need to be in English.

Word Limit: 50-300.

Theme: Open.

Submissions: Writer's **name, story title, and word count** must go on the entry form along with **school/home school, class/teacher** details. Plain font, 1.5 spacing, and indented paragraphs.

Original work only; no AI content.

Stories **must include a title but must not include the writer's name** as entries will be judged anonymously. Writers should be guided with editing before submitting their story.

Email the completed entry form and story to nzsanorthlandevents@gmail.com as separate docx or rtf files by **31 August 2025**.

The winning story will be published in The Northern Advocate along with the author's photograph.

Depending on space the other place-getters may also be published.

All placed stories will be published on the Northland Branch NZSA website.

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