

Call for Writings & Artwork

Women's Perspectives #5



Women's Perspectives #5: What Would You Do? will showcase original writings & artwork by adult literacy/basic education students across all levels. Student writers and artists are encouraged to reflect and to share your ideas on this theme.

What would a “better world” look like to you? What would you do to make this happen?
How do women leaders change the world?

What are the most pressing issues affecting women today?
And what would you do to address one or many of these issues?

In a position of authority or as a decision-maker,
what would you do to solve the big issues of the day where you live or work?

For more ideas about this theme, see **PRE-WRITING ACTIVITIES** located at www.litwomen.org/perspectives.

All submissions *must* be original writing or artwork by adult learners attending classes or working with a tutor in one of these areas:

ESOL Literacy pre/GED Developmental Upgrading Workplace Training

The *Women's Perspectives* Selection Committee does not edit the writings we receive (though we may make corrections of simple typos).

Writers must send finished work.

All writing forms accepted:

Stories – personal or creative
Poems
Opinion essays
Advice

Class or group-created writings or artworks are also accepted!

Criteria for Selection:

Originality, Creativity, Clarity, and Relevance to the theme

Why participate?

- ☺ Students have an opportunity to share their creativity, opinions, insights, and courage with an international audience (U.S. and Canada).
- ☺ Student writings make a significant contribution to supporting student leadership and peer role modeling.
- ☺ Students, whose writing or artwork is selected for publication, and their teachers, will receive a printed copy of *Women's Perspectives*.
- ☺ Some writings will be selected to receive Honors or Honorable Mention Awards. (Awards will include partial scholarships to attend the WE LEARN Conference on March 5-6, 2010 and/or cash prize.)
- ☺ All students who send writing or artwork will receive a certificate of participation.

DEADLINE to send material is **DECEMBER 11, 2009.**

Please turn sheet over for deadline & submission details.

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How to send your writing...

1. Please be sure your work is original and finished. *We do not edit any writing.* We recommend that you use the Writer's Checklist included with the pre-writing activities. You may also want to have your peers comment on your work.
2. Students may submit several writings or pieces of artwork. However, we generally will choose no more than two writings from any one student.
3. Your writing **must be typed**. Please use a **12-point font**. We prefer Times New Roman or Arial.
4. Each piece of writing you send must have this information *included on each page*:
 - a. Full Name
 - b. Title of Piece
 - c. Name of your program and what you are studying (such as GED, ESOL, etc.)
5. All submissions **MUST be sent electronically, either by email or mailed on CD-ROM**. Be sure to save your writing as a word document. Save it as .doc or .rtf.
Do not save it as .wps (Wordperfect) – we can't open those!

How to send your artwork...

1. MAIL the original to us (it will be returned) – OR
2. Scan the original and save it as a .tif or .psd or .jpg. You may then **email** it to us or mail it on a **CD-ROM**.

For BOTH writing & artwork...

We **MUST** have a **Student Contributor Information Sheet** signed *by the student* for all writing and artwork sent. *We cannot publish accepted work unless we have this signed permission.* Please MAIL the sheet to us. ALL information sheets **MUST arrive by December 31, 2009**.

**DEADLINE to send in writings & artwork for consideration:
December 11, 2009**

***** Electronic submissions are preferred & strongly encouraged. *****

Email to:
welearn@litwomen.org

Or mail (on CD-ROM) to:
WE LEARN
182 Riverside Ave.
Cranston, RI 02910 USA

**** We do NOT have a fax machine! ****

See *Women's Perspectives* on our website:
<http://www.litwomen.org/perspectives>

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**Celebration of Writers
Friday, March 5, 2010**

WHEN: In conjunction with the 7th Annual WE
LEARN Conference on March 5-6, 2010

WHERE: Providence, RI

Award winning student writers will be invited to
read their piece at the celebration.