Hello/Hola/Salut from the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies!

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## 1) PRATT POETRY CONTEST



#### CONTEST RULES

- Entrants must be Maryland residents, 18 or older.
- Paid or volunteer staff of the Enoch Pratt Free Library and Little Patuxent Review and their immediate families are not eligible, nor are previous Pratt Library Poetry Contest first-place
- Please send only one original poem, on any theme and in any form, for consideration.
- Your entry must be unpublished, either in print or on the Web, including personal blogs, Facebook, or Twitter. It cannot be currently under review for possible publication.
- Your entry must not exceed 100 lines.

Poetry Contest, Fiction Department Pratt Library, 400 Cathedral St. Baltimore, MD 21201-4484.

- Entries received after March 1, 2019, will be disquali-
- Name, address, phone number, and the submitted poem's title must accompany the entry on a sepa-rate page. Please do not put your name, address, and phone number on the entry itself.
- Confirmation of receipt and comments on your entry will not be provided, nor will your entry be returned to you.

These rules are also available on the contest page where an announcement of the winner will be posted in mid-April: www.prattlibrary.org/poetrycontest

The winning poem will be published in Little Patuxent Review, honored at a public reading at the Library, and celebrated at Baltimore's CityLit Festival.

# 2) POETRY SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST: MARCH 4 DEADLINE



The Arts Club of Washington—the oldest nonprofit arts organization in Washington, DC-sponsors an annual scholarship to recognize promising students specializing in a specific art form or medium. In 2019, scholarships will be awarded to students in poetry.

**Awards:** Winner: \$2,000, 1st runner-up: \$1,000, Honorable mention: \$750 **Eligibility:** The competition is open to college students in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia who are at least 18 years of age and who have not reached their 27th birthday by January 1, 2019. There is no entry fee.

**Competition:** Scholarships will be awarded to students submitting an original poem of no more than 300 lines demonstrating excellence in the art of poetry.

Judges not affiliated with the Arts Club will evaluate the entries and select the winners. The judges may consider such questions as—Does the poem display creativity and originality? Does the poem engage the reader? Does the poet demonstrate an understanding of poetic form?

Students will submit three hard copies of their poem to the Arts Club of Washington by Monday, March 4. They also will complete an entry form, include a faculty recommendation, and provide a copy of their student ID. Only one entry per student is allowed. Scholarship winners will be recognized and read their poems at a dinner and awards ceremony to be held at the Arts Club on Friday, April 12. Deadline for submissions: Monday, March 4, 2019

Mail entries to: Scholarship Competition The Arts Club of Washington 2017 I Street, NW Washington, DC 20006-1804

Entry forms and full details are available at <a href="https://artsclubofwashington.org/scholarships/">https://artsclubofwashington.org/scholarships/</a>

Contact Professor Albertina Lane for more information at alane@bowiestate.edu.

# 3) JOB OPPORTUNITY: 8TH GRADE TEACHER ASSISTANT



Do you enjoy helping students develop good communication skills? Are You a Junior or Senior English major with interest in teaching English and Reading? Consider working with Gwendolyn Spencer, Ed.S, an 8th grade teacher at Charles Carroll Middle School in New Carrollton, Maryland.

Duties will include:
Grading and evaluating student papers
Grading and evaluating student writing assignments

Able to create lesson plans and supplementary activities Work Hours:

Some afternoons after school preferably from 4-6 p.m.

Some Saturdays or Sundays between 2-5 p.m.

If you are interested, please call Gwendolyn Spencer at 443-712-4319.

# 4) LOVE LETTER WRITING WORKSHOP



# 5) ASTERISM - CREATIVE WRITING JOURNAL



Asterism is an international journal of creative writing run by Ohio State University.

The journal is currently accepting submissions for three different categories: poetry, prose poems, and spoken word poetry.

Students may submit their work at <a href="https://lima.osu.edu/Asterism/submit.php">https://lima.osu.edu/Asterism/submit.php</a> and view our current issue at <a href="https://lima.osu.edu/Asterism/currentIssue.html">https://lima.osu.edu/Asterism/currentIssue.html</a>.

6) 7th ANNUAL READ-A-THON: FEBRUARY 28



The Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies invites students, faculty, and staff to read aloud from a text of their choice in back-to-back, 10-minute slots. Participants are strongly encouraged to read texts from black authors or their own creative work. Participants must read for at least five minutes but no longer than ten minutes. Each participant will receive a \$20 gift card to the BSU Bookstore courtesy of the Department of History & Government.

Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a054fa9aa29aa8-7thannual

# 7) INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY: SAGE PUBLISHING



Interns will learn about publishing in general and gain hands on experience in an editorial department. This internship is an ideal position for individuals who are interested in pursuing a career in publishing.

This internship is paid, part time (20-25 hours per week during normal office hours). This position is for the current 2019 spring semester with the potential to expand into the summer. Candidates MUST be current students able to work out of our office in Washington, DC (remote work is not permitted).

Essential Job Functions & Responsibilities:

Assist department personnel in completing review projects

Support aspects of ancillary development

Help recruit and compile review information

Conduct market surveys

Support editorial assistants by helping process check requests and organize reviewer information

Assist in other general tasks such as preparing manuscripts for the production process

# Qualifications & Education:

Must be a current student pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree at an accredited college or university. English, Journalism, Publishing, or related program of study is preferred.

Must be highly proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.

Must be a quick learner with ability to problem solve

Exceptional verbal and written communication skills

Ability to work with constant interruptions and multitask

Effective internal/external customer communication

Ability to meet deadlines and work professionally under pressure

You can apply here:

https://jobs-sagepub.icims.com/jobs/5427/intern%2ceditorial/job?mode=job&iis=Internet&iisn=Indeed.com&mobile=false&width=1336&height=50 0&bga=true&needsRedirect=false&jan1offset=-300&jun1offset=-240

## 8) WRITING CENTER SERVICES AND HOURS



Bowie State's Writing Center provides a safe space where students can grow as writers. Our student tutors are willing and able to help at any stage of the writing process. Here at the Writing Center, we value collaborative learning and will offer a sounding board for writers to bounce their ideas off of. Along with one-on-one sessions, we conduct workshops where writers can sharpen their craft in particular areas of writing! We are located in MLK 204, and we're open Monday-Thursday 8:30 am - 6:00 pm and Friday 8:30 am -3:30 pm. We hope to see you soon!

# 9) SIGMA TAU DELTA



Sigma Tau Delta is always looking to welcome new members. The annual Induction Ceremony will be held in April.

Membership Requirements:

- Candidates for undergraduate membership must have completed a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the usual requirements in freshman English. The candidate must have a minimum of a B or equivalent average in English and in general scholarship and must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college course work. Candidates for undergraduate membership need not be majoring or minoring in the discipline of English.
- •Candidates for graduate membership who did not hold undergraduate membership must be enrolled in a graduate program in English or one of its specializations, have completed six semester hours of graduate work or the equivalent, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale.
- •Lifetime Membership Fee: \$80. \$40 goes to the Nu Nu chapter, which will bestow you with Honor Cords and a Medallion at your Induction Ceremony that you can wear during graduation. The other \$45 goes to Sigma Tau Delta's national office, which will supply you with your Sigma Tau Delta society pin and certificate. The fee must be paid in cash.

If you are interested in becoming a member, please e-mail hsierra@bowiestate.edu

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