

Friends of the Homer Public Library

2017 Top Drawer Program:

Playwriting Competition

Top Drawer Submission Guidelines 2017

In 2017, as part of the Homer Big Read and the Top Drawer program, the Friends of the Homer Library seeks submissions for plays about the history of Homer and/or contemporary life in Homer. The books selected for The Homer Big Read are *The Bridge of San Luis Rey* and the play *Our Town*. Through this competition we seek to gain interesting perspectives on life in Homer.

One winner will be selected. The winner will receive \$250, he/she will receive a bound copy of their play, a bound copy will also be made available at the Homer Public Library, and a staged reading of his/her play will be performed at Pier One Theatre in the summer 2017 season.

Each writer may submit only one play. Contributors must be residents of the lower Kenai Peninsula within the Homer Public Library Service Area. Manuscripts by contributors who have more than three selections in the Homer Public Library collection will be accepted only after all other contributors' work has been assessed in order to provide equal opportunity to all. All submissions must be original work of the author or authors. Libelous, treasonous, threatening, or pornographic materials or other materials that might reasonably be expected to expose Friends of the Homer Library to legal action will not be accepted.

Manuscripts must be submitted in hard copy and digital format and be "publication ready." Specifically, they must be in a legible 12 or 14 point font, printed on 8½-inch X 11-inch white paper with margins at least 1 inch wide must be numbered. Each manuscript must have a title page with title, author, and a copyright notice that includes the year of submission. A table of contents page is needed for collections of shorter works. **Authors must also submit their manuscripts electronically via email to info@friendshomerlibrary.org. Acceptable formats are .doc, .docx, and .pdf**

FHL reserves the right, with the author's permission, to correct typographical or spelling errors prior to publishing. All works must be postmarked or delivered to the Friends of the Homer Public Library, 500 Hazel Avenue, Homer, AK 99603 by January 31, 2017.

All copyrights remain the property of the original authors. The bound copies become the property of the Homer Public Library and will fall under the same guidelines and procedures that apply to other items in the library's collection.

If you have any questions about the program or these guidelines, please call the library at 907-435-3195 or email info@friendshomerlibrary.org.

Deadline for Submissions: January 31, 2017.

