



Contest Theme:

LEST WE FORGET: FROM THE CIVIL WAR TO CIVIL RIGHTS



Presented by

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The City of Los Angeles

and the African American Heritage Month Planning Committee

CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION

Participation requires

the creation of an original written work inspired by the contest theme/topic and is open to all youth in grades 6-12 within Los Angeles County.

Guidelines for Entry:

- Creative writing must be an original work in the form of a poem, song, story, essay, etc., and not previously published.
- Entry MUST be typed on MS Word Document or on paper, not exceeding one page.
- PDF Files also accepted.
- Judging is based on creativity, originality, clarity of the writing, and incorporation of the theme.
- Previous heritage months creative writing competition's 1st Place winners are ineligible for 1st Place.
- No purchase necessary to enter contest. Only one entry per participant.

Participant Must Include

On same page or separately:

- Grade level
- Participant's full name
- Participant's home mailing address
- Participant's home or mobile phone number, & email address
- School or Organization's name & address
- Teacher's full name, telephone number, and email
- Title of entry

Deliver, mail or inquiries to:

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**Deadline:
Monday, February 28, 2011**

Prizes:

Division	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
I. 6th – 8th Grades	Dell Laptop	Dell Mini Laptop	Kindle Wireless Reading Device
II. 9th – 10th Grades	Dell Laptop	Dell Mini Laptop	Kindle Wireless Reading Device
III. 11th -12th Grades	Dell Laptop	Dell Mini Laptop	Kindle Wireless Reading Device

Only winners will be notified by telephone by March 4, 2011. Further details of the awards ceremony will be provided at this time. The Winning participant along with their class (if applicable) will be invited to attend the awards ceremony to be held tentatively on March 11, 2011. All entries become the property of the City of Los Angeles. The City has the right to reproduce or publish the written work in any medium for current or future use in educational materials and programs. Selection of winners by the judging panel is final. Participants may be required to provide proof of parental consent in form and substance suitable to Sponsor, in Sponsor's sole discretion, in order to be confirmed as a prize winner. The Sponsor has the right to disqualify an entry for any reason. The Contest is solely sponsored by the City of Los Angeles. All questions and concerns related to the Contest should be directed towards the City of Los Angeles at (213) 202-5545.



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