

# **RECLAIM YOUR NARRATIVE**

## **Screenwriting Contest FAQ List**

**Who can enter the contest?**

**A: Must be a High School Junior or Senior in Metro Atlanta area. Must be a high school junior or senior at the time of application and script submission.**

**What do you consider to be the Atlanta Metro Area?**

**A: Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry and Rockdale County.**

**How do I apply to the contest?**

**A: You must Complete and Submit the Application found on our website along with your completed script. Script must be submitted in PDF format with the subject: RECLAIM YOUR NARRATIVE SCREENWRITING CONTEST. Applications and Scripts should be sent to this email address [info@damnwriteoriginals.com](mailto:info@damnwriteoriginals.com)**

**What is the theme for the script?**

**A: RECLAIM YOUR NARRATIVE. (Your script should tell the story of Self Identity, Coming of Age, or Destroying Stereotypes.)**

**Can I submit a script that does not follow the theme?**

**A: No. Any script that does not follow the theme will automatically be disqualified.**

**What genres will you accept?**

**A: The script can be written for any genre.**

**Can I enter more than one script?**

**A: No. You can only submit one script.**

**Are writing teams accepted?**

**A: No, writing teams will not be accepted. Though teamwork is Awesome, this is a time for you to shine individually.**

**What is the script format standard?**

**A: We would like for the scripts to be in standard screenplay format (google for examples) however, it is not a requirement.**

**What is the minimum/ maximum number of pages I can submit?**

**A: There is no minimum. However, the script should not exceed 10 pages in length. (10 pages or less)**

**Will you accept scripts that have been submitted elsewhere?**

**A: No.**

**Can I submit the first 10 pages of a script that is longer than 10 pages?**

**A: Yes.**

**Can the script come from other materials such as novels, magazines, articles, films, etc?**

**A: No. The script submitted should be the original work of the student.**

**Do I need to copyright my script?**

**A: No. However, The winners of the contest will receive complimentary WRITERS GUILD registration for their scripts.**

**Who will read my script?**

**A: Trusted Judges selected by the Damn Write Originals Team.**

**Can I make updates to my script after submitting?**

**A: No.**

**When is the final deadline?**

**A: March 30, 2018.**

**I missed the deadline, is it possible to get an extension?**

**A: No.**

**How do I know my script has been received?**

**A: Confirmation Emails will be sent within 7 days after submissions are received.**

**How will I be notified about winning? Will I be notified if I'm not a winner?**

**A: Everyone will be notified of their status by email. Please submit your script with a reliable email address that you check on a regular basis.**

**What tips do you have regarding the submission process?**

**A: Do your best and make sure to check for any grammatical errors prior to submitting. Research Screenplays and Screenplay Format. Try using the library, podcasts, articles and the internet to help you understand storytelling. Ask a trusted Adult or Peer to read your script and give you feedback before submitting.**

**What are the prizes for winners?**

**A: 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$500 Scholarship, Engraved Award, Produced Work, Writing Workshop, 3 Complimentary Gala Tickets**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Engraved Award, Writing Workshop, 3 Complimentary Gala Tickets**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Engraved Award, Writing Workshop, 2 Complimentary Gala Tickets**

**When will the winners be announced?**

**A: Winner(s) will be announced April 30, 2018 via email/social media**

**When will the prizes be distributed?**

**A: Prizes will be distributed at the End of The Year Gala in Dec 2018**

**Will I receive feedback on my script even if I don't win?**

**A: Only upon request.**

**If I don't win, can I resubmit the same script next year?**

**A: Yes, if it matches the theme.**

**Will you accept scripts written in a language other than English?**

**A: No. All scripts must be written in English.**

**Are there any fees that I should know about?**

**A: No. This Screenwriting Contest is completely free.**

**Will Damn Write Originals own my script?**

**A: No.**

**When will the winner's film be produced?**

**A: The first place winner will have their film produced.**