



Rochester Area Literacy Council Student Publishing Project 2015-2016

Young Authors and Artists Share:

Our World and Beyond

The theme of the seventh Rochester Area Literacy Council's (RALC) publishing opportunity, *Our World and Beyond*, provides students in grades kindergarten through twelfth the opportunity to submit written or artistic work relating to their inventive, imaginative, physical, social, emotional or cultural environment. Student work may be completed at home, in school or within some other group or organization.

Specific topics, visual media, mode or genre of writing are open to an author's or artist's purpose, perspective and voice. Students might choose their inner world, an imaginary world, places (real or imagined) they would like to visit, changes they would like to see in their environment or community, people and relationships in their environment or specific topics being presented in class related to the New York State Common Core Standards.

Student entries will be evaluated for personal creativity, imagination, and knowledge. A committee of local educators will review the entries using guidelines provided on the RALC web site. Selected entries will be compiled and published by the Rochester Area Literacy Council into a full color book. Each entry that is selected for publication will be awarded a complimentary copy of the book. Other copies will be offered for sale to families, friends and educators in the greater Rochester area.

Timeline

April 7, 2016 - K-12 submissions and permissions must be sent to Pat Martin,
pmartin1440@aol.com or 1 Sylvan Knoll, Rush, NY 14543

April 9, 2016 - K-12 entries will be read and considered for publication.

April 15, 2016 - Selected authors and artists will be notified via email.

April 21, 2016 - Electronic copies, grades 3-12, will be submitted to Pat Martin,
pmartin1440@aol.com, if paper copies were submitted previously.

June 13, 2016 - Book will be distributed to students at Zoo Celebration.

Written & Visual Guidelines

1. Work must be original to the author or artist. Multiple students' submissions of a single class assignment will not be published, however, the sample showing the most creativity, imagination, organization, knowledge, and voice may be selected.
2. Content can be presented as, but is not limited to: a cartoon, drawing, painting, illustration, poem, song, memoir, satire, interview, dialogue, narrative, informative, descriptive or persuasive essay, short story.
3. Visual entries must include a title and, preferably, a caption or dialogue box that explains the visual's story.
4. All written entries must be revised, edited, and publishable before submission. Publishable work is clear, organized and free of grammatical or technical errors. Final editing must be done under the guidance of an adult.
5. All visual entries must be on quality white drawing paper, no more than 6.5 by 9, free of smudges, creases or erasures and electronically reproducible. Vibrant color visuals (colored pencils or paint) are desirable.
6. K-6 entries should not exceed 2 pages; 7-12 entries should not exceed 4 pages.
7. Quotations and source material must be fully cited and documented. For information and guidelines about documenting resources, visit www.rochesterarealiteracycouncil.org.
8. Descriptions and rubrics describing the quality of any work worthy of publication can be found on the RALC website www.rochesterarealiteracycouncil.org.
9. The entries for grades K, 1 and 2 can be handwritten, but must be legible and readable. Entries selected for publication will be typed by the publisher.
10. The entries for grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 must be typed (Comic Sans, black, 14 point font, 1.5 spaced). Entries selected for publication must be available electronically.
11. Entries can be done collaboratively by two students. When two students partner, a cover sheet for each individual must be completed. One complimentary book will be given to collaborative work.



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Cover Sheet and Permission Form

This form must accompany each entry and be complete and legible for entry to be considered. PLEASE PRINT

Entry Title _____

Student Name _____
(first) (last)

Parent(s) Name _____

Parent(s) Email _____

Home Address _____

Grade _____ Building _____ District _____

Teacher Name _____

Teacher's Email _____

Publication Permission

I give permission for the publication of _____'s
Print student's full name

writing/art in the Rochester Area Literacy Council's *Our World and Beyond* and to be featured on their website (www.rochesterarealiteracycouncil.org). I understand that

- The publishing committee will use only the first name, grade, building and district to identify any student.
- The publishing committee has the right to edit text and art as needed for publication.
- All written work becomes the property of RALC and will not be returned. Original visual work will be returned upon request.
- All living individuals mentioned by name or shown in photographs have given written permission for their name or likeness to appear in the publication.
- Any use of business logos or symbols has been approved by the company represented.

Parent or guardian signature

Date