

Start the New Year with a sharpened pencil and by releasing your creative energies...

WRITE NOW

The UI Alumni and Friends Writing Contests

The University of Iowa Alumni and Friends' 48-Hour Flash Writing Contest January 15-17, 2021

They say everyone has a story to tell. This month, we'd love to read yours.

The University of Iowa is hosting its annual Alumni and Friends Flash Writing Contest—a timed, online short story competition. We'll provide you with a writing prompt that includes a genre, a character (e.g., bus driver), and a specific object to incorporate into your story. You'll have 48 hours and up to 1,000 words to come up with the rest.

Contest Categories

Grades 3-4, Grades 5-6, Grades 7-8, Grades 9-12, and Adult

Note: In alignment with the UI Center for Advancement minors policies, contestants entering in any of the grades 3-12 age categories must have a parent or legal guardian assist with the contest registration process.

Win Fabulous Prizes

School-age winners will receive an Iowa scribe pack that contains a writing journal, canvas bag, and a \$20 Amazon gift card.

More information about the Flash Writing contest and full contest rules,
Visit the contest website: foriowa.org/write-now