

2024

JACK LONDON PARK PARTNERS PRESENTS

THE 9TH ANNUAL YOUNG WRITERS CONTEST

SCIENCE FICTION EDITION

JACK LONDON IS MOST FAMOUS FOR WRITING ADVENTURE STORIES, BUT DID YOU KNOW HE ALSO DABBLED IN SCIENCE FICTION? WITH STORIES LIKE *BEFORE ADAM*, *STAR ROVER*, AND *THE SCARLET PLAGUE*, LONDON EXPLORED THEMES LIKE MULTIPLE DIMENSIONS, TIME TRAVEL AND POST-APOCALYPTIC SOCIETIES.

2024 STORY PROMPT:

WRITE A SHORT STORY INVOLVING A MYSTERIOUS PORTAL INTO A PARALLEL UNIVERSE.

OPEN TO MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS IN 6TH-8TH GRADE. SEE OTHER SIDE FOR CONTEST DETAILS.

**DEADLINE FOR STORIES IS
11:59PM ON MARCH 31ST!**



JACK LONDON PARK PARTNERS WRITING CONTEST RULES AND GUIDELINES

1. Contestants must write an original story for submission and may only submit one entry. Stories will be filtered through AI detection tools.
2. Submissions must be in PDF format (no hard copies). Entry form must be a separate PDF from your story, so you will submit 2 PDFs via email to kellis@jacklondonpark.com
3. Your submission must be typed, double-spaced, and:
 - a. We will accept a range of 1,500-2,000 words.
 - b. Submissions that contain more than 2,000, or less than 1,500, words will not be eligible.
4. Submissions must be written in English.
5. Submissions will be judged on narrative style and creative use of language.
6. The submissions must have this completed entry form attached. **Stories submitted without the complete entry form will not be considered.**
7. Student author's name will be on this entry form but DO NOT add student's name to the actual story submitted, as they are judged blindly.

AWARDS FOR WINNING ENTRIES

1ST PLACE \$250

2ND PLACE \$150

3RD PLACE \$100

Deadline for submission is **11:59pm on March 31st, 2024**. Late submissions will not be considered.

Jack London Park Partners Writing Contest Entry Form (please print legibly)

Author's Name: _____

Address (for mailing prizes): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian _____ email: _____

Grade level: _____ School: _____

School Address: _____

Title of submission: _____

Word Count (see above restrictions): _____

By signing below, you declare that the following statement is true:

I declare that this story is my own original work

Author's signature: _____ date: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ date: _____

Email all questions and story submissions to Kristina Ellis; kellis@jacklondonpark.com