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2012 LITERARY AWARDS CONTEST

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*The contest is open to all students in grades 6 through 12
who live in or attend school in Brighton.*

*Students will compete in the Junior Division (grades 6 through 9)
and the Senior Division (grades 10 through 12).*

*Each division has **fiction, non-fiction and poetry categories.***

One first prize of \$50, one second prize of \$25, and up to four \$10 honorable mention prizes will be awarded in the three categories in each division, provided the judges feel an award is justified. The criteria of judging are originality, clarity of ideas, and good English usage. Subject matter is unrestricted.

Entry requirements are as follows:

- Must be an original piece by the contestant. Students are encouraged to work with an English teacher or other consultant for help with form, grammar, spelling, etc.
- Fiction may be a short story, play, etc. Non-fiction may be an essay, letter, etc. Fiction and non-fiction must be a minimum of one page (about 250 words) and a maximum of eight pages.
- Entries must be printed on standard 8.5" x 11" paper with 1" margins and in 12-point font. The title and page numbers must appear at the top of each page. For equity in judging, no data regarding name, school, etc. should appear on any pages other than the cover page (see below).
- Contestants must provide four copies of each entry. Create a separate cover page in addition to the four copies indicating the title of the entry; contestant's name, complete address, and phone number; contestant's school and grade; and if the entry is fiction, non-fiction or poetry. Attach the cover sheet to the top copy of the manuscript. (This information is not made available to the judges prior to judging.)
- A maximum of two entries in poetry and two entries in prose (for a total of four entries combined) will be accepted from each contestant. Only one award will be given in each of the poetry and prose categories to a single contestant.
- To receive a list of the winners, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Entrants who do not enclose an SASE will not receive individual notification regarding their entries unless they are a winner. (Winners will be posted on our website in early April: www.brightonlibrary.org.)

Submit entries in person or by mail to Brighton Memorial Library, 2300 Elmwood Ave.,
Rochester, NY 14618, before 4 p.m. on **Sunday, February 12, 2012.**

Winners will be publicly announced at the **Awards Ceremony on Thursday, April 26.**