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Sam Houston State University Bearkats Read to Succeed Poetry/Lyric Contest



Purpose

This poetry/lyric competition encourages and recognizes incoming freshmen and students who read and write about the 2013-2014 Bearkats Read to Succeed common reader, *The Power of Habit, Why We Do What We Do in Life and Business*, by Charles Duhigg.

Poem/Lyric Topic

Students should write a poem or lyric about a habit of theirs or of someone else of which they were reminded as they read *The Power* of Habit, Why We Do What We Do in Life and Business, by Charles Duhigg.

Eligibility

The contest is open to all first-time freshmen and students who enroll full-time (minimum 12 hours) at Sam Houston State University in the fall 2013 semester.

Prize

Scholarships valued at \$250 each will be awarded to one first-time freshman student and one other than first-time freshman submitting the winning poems/lyrics. The winners will also be recognized at the author's dinner with Charles Duhigg in November 2013.

\$250 scholarship First-time freshman winner

\$250 scholarship Non-first-semester freshman winner

Application

Poems/Lyrics must be submitted by 5:00 pm, Friday, October 18, 2013, to wctr@shsu.edu. Electronic submissions are preferred. Submissions should be sent as email attachments (Microsoft Word documents, RTF files, or PDF files only). Submissions by traditional mail are also acceptable. Please mail submissions to:

Ann Theodori, Director Sam Houston Writing Center Campus Box 2333 Huntsville, TX 77341

Rules of the Contest

- 1. All applicants must be students enrolled at Sam Houston State University full-time during the fall 2013 academic term.
- 2. All poems/lyrics must be typed, double-spaced, on white, 8 ½" x 11" paper and free of any remarks or grade.
- 3. All submissions must include the submission cover form information on the next page. The poem/lyric itself must not contain the student's name since poems/lyrics will be evaluated anonymously. The cover form should be the first page of your poetry/lyric submission and does not count toward the word count in the poem/lyric. When submitting by email, please include all of the information on the cover sheet and the statement of authenticity in the body of your email.
- 4. A student may submit only one entry.
- 5. Winners will be notified by the Sam Houston State University Writing Center.
- 6. There is no minimum length requirement. The maximum length is 200 words.

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Student's Full Name

SUBMISSION COVER FORM

The 2013 – 2014

Sam Houston State University

Bearkats Read to Succeed

Fall 2013 Poetry/Lyric Contest



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Student's ID Number		
Student Email Address		
Telephone Number		
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