

II Creative Writing Competition

"FHB Young Writers Prize"



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The **BRITISH HISPANIC FOUNDATION - FHB** in partnership with British Council, the Instituto Cervantes in London and the Spanish Embassy in London, announces the 2nd Edition of its Creative Writing Competition: "FHB Young Writers Prize".

OUR AIM

To encourage younger people to develop a passion for literature whilst channelling their inner creativity and promoting the use of Spanish in their writing.

THE TASK

1. An original, individual and unpublished essay written in Spanish. All submissions must be the author's own work.
2. Length: up to 1500 words (around three A4 sides)
3. Topic: "**La influencia de las Redes Sociales**". Authors can address the topic from whichever point of view they choose. Some examples:
 - ¿Cuáles son los pros y los contras?
 - ¿Están aquí para quedarse?
 - ¿Qué impacto han tenido las Redes Sociales en mí personalmente?
 - ¿Qué repercusiones han tenido en la sociedad, política o economía?

SCOPE

1. The competition is open to all students currently enrolled in A Level courses in the United Kingdom.
2. Each author can submit only one essay.

JUDGES AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

1. FHB will appoint a panel of between 3 and 5 judges, all of whom will be representatives of the institutions backing the competition: the Instituto Cervantes in London, the British Council and the British Hispanic Foundation.
2. The judges' final decision cannot be appealed.
3. The judging panel has the capacity to declare the competition void.





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4. With the aim of guaranteeing the total independence of the judging panel, submissions from first or second-degree relatives of any of the judges will not be accepted.
5. The judges retain the right to refuse the admission of any entry. In this regard, any essay with inappropriate content (insults, political bias...) can be disqualified, subject to the panel's opinion.
6. Submissions will be judged upon the following criteria:
 - I. Originality
 - II. Reasoning
 - III. Relevance and Coherence
 - IV. Style and Presentation
 - V. Grammatical Accuracy and Spelling
 - VI. Fluidity and use of Spanish

ONLINE REGISTRATION

1. Authors wishing to enter the competition must register by completing an online form and attaching their submission, via the following link on the Foundation webpage: [II Creative Writing Competition "FHB Young Writers Prize"](#)
2. All essays must be signed using a **pseudonym** so as to guarantee both authors' anonymity and the total impartiality of judges.
3. All submissions are to be attached in PDF format.

COMPETITION DEADLINES AND FINAL DECISIONS

1. The competition is annual, open and free of charge.
2. Registration will be open from **Tuesday 20th September** (00:00 Madrid Time) to **Monday 10th October 2022** (23:59 Madrid Time).
3. The winning submissions will be decided by the panel on **Friday 14th October**. All winning authors will be contacted personally either by e-mail or telephone.



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PRIZES AND FINALISTS

1. Three finalists will be selected.
2. There will be two prize categories:
1 First Prize and 2 Honourable Mentions.
3. **FIRST PRIZE:** The author of the winning work will receive as first prize an Spanish course (30 h) awarded by the Instituto Cervantes in London. This award is not transferable.
4. The prizewinners will have the chance to visit the Spanish Embassy in London and receive a diploma from the Spanish Ambassador in person on **Monday 24th October.**
5. The finalists essays will be published on the Foundation's webpage.

PUBLICATION RIGHTS AND DISCLAIMER

1. By submitting their work, authors are deemed to consent to the publication and circulation of their essays by the British Hispanic Foundation, for non-profit purposes.
2. In entering the competition, participants confirm their submission is original, unpublished and of their own creation and exempt the Fundación Hispano Británica from any liability or copyright claim over said essay.

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