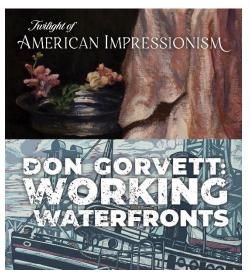


# 2021 YOUNG WRITERS CONTEST



Visit Portsmouth Historical Society and check out the art on display in the *Twilight of American Impressionism* or *Don Gorvett: Working Waterfronts* exhibitions. Get inspired by your surroundings and select one work of art and write! You may write a poem, story, essay, play/dialogue, newspaper article, or in any other style you would like. You must relate your writing to the artwork you selected.

All entries must be submitted by midnight on **Monday, September 13, 2021.** 

A panel of judges will read and evaluate the entry based on its content, creativity, expression, clarity, quality, and connection to the original artwork.

## OFFICIAL ENTRY INFORMATION

# **Age Divisions**

- Ages 7-10
- Ages 11-14
- Ages 15-18

### Length

- At least 200 words
- No more than 600 words
- Poems must be no more than 50 lines

### Information to Include with Submission

- Age
- First and last name of entrant
- Mailing address
- Email address
- Home phone number
- Title of artwork
- Title of submission





### HOW TO SUBMIT

### **Email submissions to**

Education Coordinator Claire Spollen Claire@PortsmouthHistory.org

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Writing Contest
Portsmouth Historical Society
Post Office Box 728
Portsmouth, NH 03802

Mail submissions to

# JUDGING, AWARDS, AND PUBLICATION

### **Judging**

- The judging panel will include staff from Portsmouth Historical Society and local educators.
- Entries will be evaluated on content, creativity, expression, clarity, quality, and connection to original artwork.

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Judges will select a winner and an honorable mention from each age division.

### **Awards**

- Winners will be announced at the Discover Portsmouth Welcome Center at 5:00 pm on Friday, October 1, 2021.
- Each age division will have one winner and one honorable mention.
- There will be a small presentation ceremony to celebrate the winners and participants.
- The Young Writers Contest sponsors, Flatbread and Summer Sessions, have generously donated prizes
  for the three winners. The Discover Portsmouth Museum Shop has donated prizes for the honorable
  mentions.
- Each submission will be placed into a lottery to win a one-year family membership to Portsmouth
  Historical Society. The winner will be drawn at the award ceremony. You do not need to be present to
  win.

### **Publication**

Participants grant permission to Portsmouth Historical Society to publish your entry and your name for publicity purposes.

# QUESTIONS?

Please contact Education Coordinator Claire Spollen if you have questions. Claire@PortsmouthHistory.org