

JUDGING

All entries will be judged anonymously. For the High School and University/Adult category, the Museum welcomes the writers Rita Mae Brown as the prose judge and Kendra Hamilton as the poetry judge.

Rita Mae Brown is the bestselling author of numerous books, including *Rubyfruit Jungle*, *Southern Discomfort*, *Sudden Death*, *Starting from Scratch: A Different Kind of Writer's Manual*, *Venus Envy*, *Rita Will: Memoir of a Literary Rabble-Rouser*, and *Outfoxed*. An Emmy-nominated screenwriter and poet, she lives in Afton.

Kendra Hamilton is a writer by profession, the assistant editor of a national higher education magazine, and a poet by vocation. Her work has been published in *Callaloo*, *Southern Review*, *Shenandoah*, and *River Styx* and anthologized in *Bum Rush the Page: A Def Poetry Jam*. Her collection, *The Goddess of Gumbo*, was published in 2006 as part of the Word Press series.

NOTIFICATION OF AWARDS

1st, 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mention winners only will be notified. Notification letters and/or emails will be sent to winners and to their teachers the week of Jan. 28, 2008.

The Awards Ceremony will be held on Sunday, March 30, 2008.

PRIZES

University/Adult and High School

1st Place: \$100 and a one-year
UVA Art Museum Membership

2nd Place: \$25 gift certificate and a one-year
UVA Art Museum Membership

3rd Place: a one-year
UVA Art Museum Membership

Elementary and Middle School

1st Place: \$50 and a one-year
UVA Art Museum Membership

2nd Place: \$25 gift certificate and a one-year
UVA Art Museum Membership

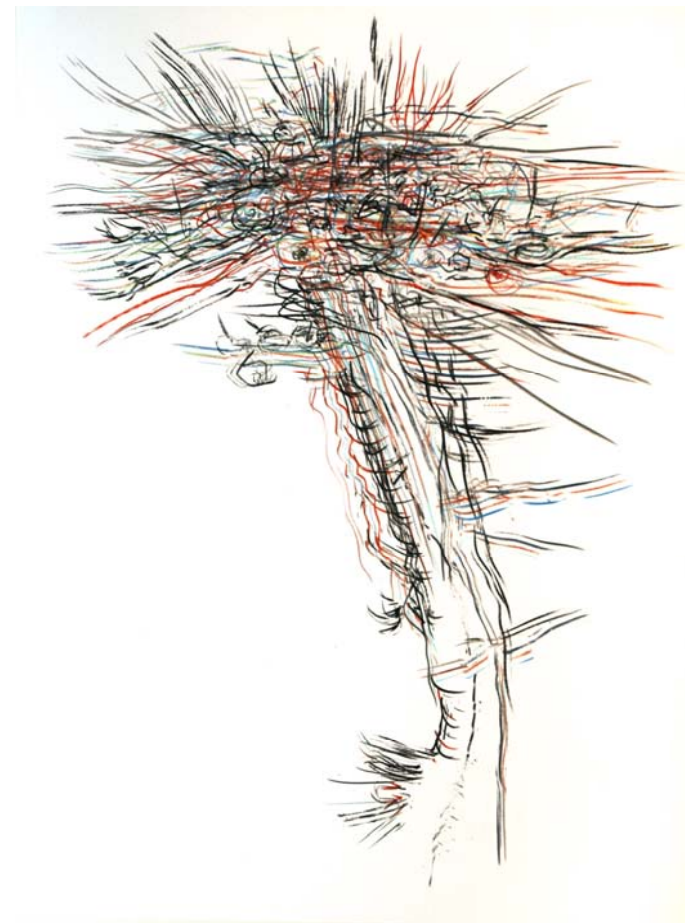
3rd Place: a one-year
UVA Art Museum Membership

View the *Writer's Eye* selection on the UVA Art Museum website:
<http://www.virginia.edu/artmuseum>

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The 21st Annual Writer's Eye

October 22-December 21, 2007



University of Virginia Art Museum
Charlottesville, VA

Writer's Eye ENTRY FORM, fall 2007

Please type or print clearly.

Name _____

Address _____

Daytime Telephone _____

Evening _____

Cell _____

E-mail _____

Title of your Work _____

Inspired by _____

(artist and/or museum piece used)

My entry is: *(check one category and note # of prose words)*

Poetry (2 pages maximum)

Prose (_____ # of words—1,000 maximum)

I am: *(check one category)*

University student/adult

High School (grades 9, 10, 11, 12)

Grades 6, 7, 8

Grades 3, 4, 5

My school _____

My teacher (s) _____

(Please give full name with correct spelling and preferred title, Mr. Miss, Ms., Mrs.)

COMPETITION GUIDELINES

WHAT TO SUBMIT

- Write an *original* and previously unpublished story or poem inspired by one of the *Writer's Eye* selections at the University of Virginia Art Museum.
- Submit *one* entry only. This may be a prose entry of 1,000 words or less or a poetry entry not to exceed two standard typewritten pages.

HOW TO FORMAT YOUR ENTRY

- **Type** and **single-space** the **original** and **submit the required copies** of your prose or poetry entry.

GRADES 3-5:

TYPE AND SINGLE-SPACE ORIGINAL AND TWO COPIES OF YOUR POETRY OR PROSE ENTRY.

GRADES 6-8:

POETRY: TYPE AND SINGLE-SPACE ORIGINAL AND THREE COPIES OF YOUR POETRY ENTRY.

PROSE: TYPE AND SINGLE-SPACE ORIGINAL AND FOUR COPIES OF YOUR PROSE ENTRY.

HIGH SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY/ADULT:

TYPE AND SINGLE-SPACE ORIGINAL AND THREE COPIES OR YOUR POETRY OR PROSE ENTRY.

- Fill in this entry form. STAPLE it to the back page of the ORIGINAL copy. PAPER CLIP the original and all copies together.
- Type on all the pages you submit:
 - (1) The title of your poem or story and
 - (2) The name of the artwork that inspired your entry.Note: DO NOT type your name on any copy. *To insure impartial judging, your name should appear only on the entry form.*

WHEN, WHERE AND HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY

- WHEN: Entries MUST be received at the Museum no later than 5pm, Friday, December 21, 2007. They may be hand delivered or mailed.
- WHERE: University of Virginia Art Museum, 155 Rugby Road
- MUSEUM HOURS: 1pm-5pm, Tuesday-Sunday (Closed Mondays)
- MAILING ADDRESS: The Writer's Eye, University of Virginia Art Museum, P.O. Box 400119, Charlottesville, VA 22904-4119

PLEASE NOTE

- Failure to comply with these rules may disqualify your entry.
- Writers give permission to the University of Virginia Art Museum to publish entries upon submission to this competition. Manuscripts will not be returned.
- The University of Virginia Art Museum reserves the right to eliminate a category if entries are not sufficient in number or quality.

QUESTIONS? Contact the Education Department at 434.243.2050 or Jill Hartz, Director, at cjh6r@virginia.edu.