

# SAROYAN



## WRITING CONTEST 2017

Presented by the William Saroyan Society in association with Fresno County Public Library and the Fresno County Office of Education

# Students

1st grade through college

STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE.

<b>1st place \$100</b> EACH	<b>6 DIVISIONS</b> Grades 1-2 Grades 3-4 Grades 5-6 Grades 7-9 Grades 10-12 College
<b>2nd place \$75</b> EACH	
<b>3rd place \$50</b> EACH	

**THEME: What is Friendship?**

William Saroyan regarded friendship as an important part of daily life. It enabled him to use this treasure trove of human contact to touch the spirit of readers throughout the world. As you write your story, here are some things to consider: Describe a friend and how this person has influenced or improved your life. How has your life changed because of your friendship?

**STORY LENGTH:** Judges will look for stories that do not exceed two pages. In NO case should a story exceed three pages.

**CLASS PROJECTS:** Teachers who utilize this contest for class projects must screen the essays and submit only superior papers [the top 10%]. Essays must include the grade awarded and the teacher's signature.

**IDENTIFICATION:** Complete the form below and attach to entry.

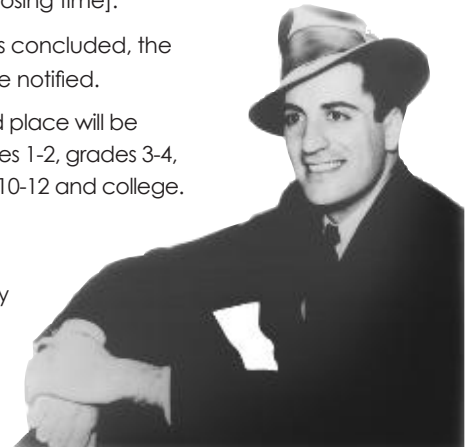
**DEADLINE:** Entries must be received by Saturday, April 1, 2017, by 5pm [Library closing time].

**NOTIFICATION:** When judging is concluded, the winners and their schools will be notified.

**AWARDS:** First, second and third place will be selected in each division: Grades 1-2, grades 3-4, grades 5-6, grades 7-9, grades 10-12 and college.

**AWARDS CEREMONY:**  
Prizes will be awarded at Woodward Park Regional Library 944 E. Perrin Ave., Fresno Thursday, April 27, at 5:30pm.

**Additional information and flyers are available at [www.williamsaroyansociety.org](http://www.williamsaroyansociety.org)**



Mail entry to: Nance Espinosa at Fresno County Public Library, 2420 Mariposa St., Fresno CA 93721

Please type or print information legibly and attach to back of entry.

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email address grade teacher

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school name school phone

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My story can be published or read on radio:  YES  NO

Student with special needs:  YES  NO

