

Story Writing Contest for Children

Open to all up to Grade 6

Deadline: Friday Sept 30, 2011.

Sponsor: Okanagan Symphony

Winning story to be performed live with orchestra



Okanagan Symphony Orchestra led by Music Director Rosemary Thomson
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Amazing opportunity for Child Writers CONTEST DEADLINE EXTENDED TO END OF SEPTEMBER

As part of the Family Matinee and Education Concert Series in February 2012, the Okanagan Symphony Orchestra will bring to Kelowna "Your Story at the Symphony".

Winning stories from our Story Writing Contest will be illustrated musically by the Orchestra, live, led by Music Director Rosemary Thomson at the Rotary Centre for the Performing Arts on Sunday Feb 12.

Don't miss this opportunity to share your words and creativity with the whole Okanagan Valley! (And the stories don't have to be about music!)

All children living in the Okanagan from Kindergarten to Grade 6 are eligible. Judging will be in two categories: K to 3 and 4 to 6.

Every story will be read. Handwritten or typed entries are acceptable.

Entries may be mailed, emailed, or scanned then e-mailed as PDF or Jpeg attachments, and must be received by Friday September 30, 2011.

The jury will consist of Music Director Rosemary Thomson plus school and public librarians. The jury's decision in all contest matters is final. Only the writers of winning entries will be contacted. For mailed entries, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you wish to have it returned.

The entry form is on the Symphony website - www.okanagansymphony.com

Stories should be either be:

- Mailed with the form to: Okanagan Symphony Orchestra, Attention: Your Story at the Symphony, PO Box 20238 Kelowna BC, V1Y 9H2.
- Or by e-mail to: laurie@okanagansymphony.com - Subject line: Stories
- Or drop it off at Symphony office: #239 - 1889 Springfield Rd. Kelowna (corner of Springfield and Spall, 2nd floor above the Bulk Food Store)

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For further information, or to obtain an interview, please contact:

Laurie Henderson, Administrator laurie@okanagansymphony.com or Scott Wilson, General Manager scott@okanagansymphony.com;

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