

Maureen Freer (FAWQ)

Literary Competition 2023



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Poet and author
FAWQ President 1970-1974
Chair, Warana Writers' Festival 1968-1982
Chair, Commonwealth Writers Week 1982
Awarded OAM 1984

Short Story to 2000 words

Topic: "A Line in the Sand"

The topic of your story must be
'A Line in the Sand.'

Your story content will reflect your
interpretation of that topic.

Short Story is a work of prose fiction. It engages the reader by implying rather than explaining and has immediate impact, swift movement, and incisive writing. The setting is simple, usually one time and place and involves few characters. The focus is usually on a single plot and follows a traditional narrative arc, with exposition at the beginning, rising action, a climax, and a resolution at the end. It is a form open to experimentation with many writers beginning in the middle of the action drawing readers into a dramatic scene and concluding with ambiguous endings. The short story should have an emotional impact on the reader and leave a lasting impression.

- Entries open 17th June 2023
- Entries close 25th August 2023
- Entry fees
 - A\$10 per entry
 - A\$20 for three entries.*(Maximum three entries per person)*

Award Ceremony – Sat. 21st October 2023

FIRST PRIZE \$300AUD
SECOND PRIZE \$150AUD
Short List of 10 selected by judge will be
offered future publication in SCOPE

*Prizewinning entries to be published in
November SCOPE, with names of successful
short list of ten.*

Details and entry form at -
<https://fawq.com.au/competitions/>
Email completed entry form and
short story to:
competitions@fawq.com.au