# 14th Annual Wasatch IronPen Writing Competition Contestant Rules and Guidelines

Welcome to the 14th annual Wasatch IronPen Writing Marathon, in which artists of the written word face off in a 24-hour writing competition!

Adult and Youth writers of all experience levels can participate in one of three genres (Fiction, Non-fiction or Poetry) or can take on the IronPen Ultra and write in all three! Writers of all experience levels can register for the marathon online.. After receiving the prompt on Friday, July 17th at 6:00 p.m., writers will have exactly 24 hours to write. Submissions are due Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Visit <a href="www.slcc.edu/cwc">www.slcc.edu/cwc</a> for more information or email <a href="www.slcc.edu/cwc">cwc@slcc.edu</a> with questions.

### Registration

- Participants must register for the IronPen or the IronPen Ultra by Friday, July 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Participants can <u>register online</u>.
- For this year's IronPen, registration will be free.
- Participants under 18 years old can register for the Youth categories in each genre, or for the Youth IronPen Ultra.
- Participants who register for the IronPen Ultra may *not* register for individual categories.

#### IronPen Start

On Friday, June 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., a prompt will be posted on the CWC's Facebook (<u>@CommunityWritingCenter</u>) and Instagram (<u>@slcc\_cwc</u>) feeds. Participants must meaningfully incorporate the prompt into their submission.

#### **Submissions**

You must submit your manuscript online via Submittable. Individual genre submissions should not exceed 4000 words. Ultra submissions should not exceed 8000 words. If you participate in the IronPen Ultra, the three pieces do not have to be linked to each other. Each submission must be an original piece of work written within the 24 hours of the competition.

#### Submission guidelines:

- Go to Submittable to submit. Submission is due on Saturday, July 18th at 6:00 p.m.
- Fill out the submission form completely. Requested information will include:
  - o Full name
  - o Email address
  - o Phone number
  - o Zip Code
  - o Title of entire submission
  - o Genre: Fiction, Non-Fiction, Poetry or Ultra
  - o Category: Adult or Youth (18 and under)

- Do NOT put your name anywhere on the manuscript.
- All submissions, including Ultra submissions, should be submitted as a single file.

## Judging `

Winners will receive gift card to the King's English bookstore. Winners will be contacted via email by August 5, 2020 and will be announced on Community Writing Center social media.

NOTE: The judges will award a "Winner" and "Honorable Mention(s)" in each category, yet reserve the right to adjust awards as necessary. Youth and Adult competitions are judged separately and anonymously. Awards are subject to change based on submissions and judges' discretion.