

2019 MISSISSIPPI SCHOLASTIC WRITING AWARDS WINNERS

AMERICAN VOICES NOMINEES

Morgan Crosby	<i>Coming Out</i> – Short Story	Mississippi School of the Arts
Alexis Dyess	<i>The Mistake of Removal</i> – Flash Fiction	Northwest Rankin High School
Mallory Extine	<i>In the Quiet</i> – Short Story	Petal High School
Catherine Li	<i>A Blend of Two Cultures</i> – Poetry	Mississippi School for Math & Science
Indu Nandula	<i>Red Birds & Potato Curry</i> – Personal Essay/Memoir	Mississippi School for Math & Science

SENIOR PORTFOLIO WINNERS

Victoria Gong	Gold Key – <i>toasted marshmallows and gochi seeds</i>	Mississippi School for Math & Science
Zoe Holley	Gold Key – <i>An Observation of the Human Condition in a Vacuum</i>	Mississippi School of the Arts
Victoria Richard	Gold Key – <i>A Year of Jubilee</i>	Jubilee Performing Arts Center
Madison Cox	Silver Key – <i>In the Light of the Twenty-Third Hour</i>	Mississippi School of the Arts
Charlotte Drane	Silver Key – <i>The Lonely Path to Retribution</i>	Mississippi School of the Arts
Sidney Medina	Silver Key – <i>Within the Span of a Year: Acceptance</i>	Mississippi School of the Arts
Isabella Suell	Silver Key – <i>Beyond Human Perspectives</i>	Murrah High School
Taylor Downs	Honorable Mention – <i>Twenty-Five Hours, Eight Days a Week</i>	Mississippi School of the Arts
Catherine Watson	Honorable Mention – <i>the spaces between lives</i>	Jackson Preparatory School

GOLD KEY WINNERS

Benedict Day School - <i>Educator: Lisa Ainsworth</i>		
Mackenzie Bystrek	Science Fiction/Fantasy	The Princess and the Dragon
Maura McLaughlin	Short Story	Reality
Booneville High School - <i>Educator: Terry King</i>		
Reed Lindsey	Critical Essay	Book Review: Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Old School
Cathedral School - <i>Educator: Jean Biglane</i>		
Samuel Freiberger	Critical Essay	Can I Fix This?

GOLD KEY WINNERS

Coldwater Attendance Center - *Educator: Tabitha Greer*

Noemi Renteria

Poetry

Chains of Depression

Germantown High School - *Educator: Jamie Dickson*

Dawn Munro

Personal Essay/Memoir

A Letter to My Frazzled Brain

Jackson Academy: *Educator - Katharine Todd*

Wisdom Ware

Poetry

When Cancer Wins

Jackson Preparatory School - *Educator: Paul Smith*

Mary Patton Murphy

Poetry

Fly Fishing; The Aftermath

Madie Van Pelt

Poetry

Farmer's Pleasure

Jubilee Performing Arts Center - *Educator: Deondra Ellzey*

Victoria Richard

Short Story

The Night Rainbows

Lamar School - *Educator: Jamie Ransier*

Isabella Durgin

Critical Essay

The Manipulation of Diction to Amplify

Emotions in the Bell Jar

Yara Van Drunen

Critical Essay

Stereotypical Beauty

Lamar School - *Educator: Kathy Scarbrough*

Grace Brown

Personal Essay/Memoir

Living a Thousand Lives Without Leaving My
Seat

Jake Ransier

Personal Essay/Memoir

Welcome to America

Madison Central High School - *Educator: Rebecca Temple*

Haley Gall

Personal Essay/Memoir

Broken Heart

Short Story

Small Talk

Mississippi School for Math & Science - *Educator: Emma Richardson*

Christian Couvillion

Personal Essay/Memoir

Kick Kick Kaboom Boom

Ryley Fallon

Personal Essay/Memoir

"Lip-Plumping Lip Gloss and North Carolina"

Short Story

"Lucille Hammond's Magic"

Victoria Gong

Short Story

Game of Life

Catherine Li

Poetry

A Blend of Two Cultures

Michelle Luo

Flash Fiction

Mud Dauber

Poetry

closed eyes

Indu Nandula

Personal Essay/Memoir

Red Birds & Potato Curry

Helen Peng

Poetry

Chinaman; Lonely

Sarah Perry

Poetry

a brother; fourth of july; summertime

Sophie Tipton

Short Story

All the Way Home

Victoria Waller

Personal Essay/Memoir

Second Belly-Button

Audrey Wohlscheid

Personal Essay/Memoir

Real Death Experiences

Mississippi School of the Arts - *Educator: Clinessha Sibley*

Madison Cox

Flash Fiction

Comfort

Poetry

surgeon

Morgan Crosby

Short Story

Coming Out; Learn to Let Go

GOLD KEY WINNERS

Mississippi School of the Arts - *Educator: Clinnesha Sibley*

Emerson Hultman Dramatic Script
Jackson Palmer Science Fiction/Fantasy

Chloe Russell Poetry
Amaria Sumler Short Story

Another
The Miraculous Wonder-Foot; The Tartarean
Odyssey
The Life Of
The Goddesses of Ivory

Murrah High School - *Educator: Sarah Ballard*

Jeffrey Caliedo Poetry
Kaitlyn Fowler Journalism

Isabella Suell Flash Fiction
Personal Essay/Memoir

Igneous
Project EJECT: Uprooting Criminals, Planting the
Seeds for Future Crime
Narrative of Existentialism
JXN

Murrah High School - *Educator: Malaika Quarterman*

Kaitlyn Fowler Journalism

A Dead Child Becomes a Number

Murrah High School - *Educator: Lynne Schneider*

Kaitlyn Fowler Journalism

Education Funding Formula: Separate
but [un]Equal

Northwest Rankin High School - *Educator: April Carter*

Alexis Dyess Flash Fiction
Emma Heimer Personal Essay/Memoir

The Mistake of Removal
The Hardest Goodbyes

Northwest Rankin Middle School - *Educator: Lynn Clark*

Abigail Perry Short Story
Xea Winters Personal Essay/Memoir

Poetry

17 Angels
It's Pronounced Zae-UH - Inspired by Sandra
Cisneros, "My Name"
Float Without Worries

Petal High School - *Educator: Crystal Giles*

Riley Courtney Short Story
Mallory Extine Short Story
Dawson Hoover Personal Essay/Memoir
Quay Robinson Critical Essay
Justin Watkins Critical Essay

Hamlet Narrative
In the Quiet
Forged in Fire
Heart of Darkness: A Creature of Its Time
The True Meanings and Implications of Joseph
Conrad's Heart of Darkness

Piney Woods School - *Educator: Chris Windfield*

Moiya Gooden Short Story

The Time Between Us

Ridgeland High School - *Educator: Christine Davidson*

Latoria Hicks Poetry
Kiara Hill Personal Essay/Memoir
Poetry

A Road to Self-love
The Origin of Me
Literary Devices of a Student

GOLD KEY WINNERS

Rosa Scott School - *Educator: Rebecca Kirk*

Abhirup Chatterjee	Flash Fiction	Flashes
Rebecca Mozingo	Short Story	Agent Roberts
Julia Van Lake	Personal Essay/Memoir	2 In Binary Code

Rosa Scott School - *Educator: Cody Logan*

Sarah Grace Shurden	Flash Fiction	The Comb; The Sickness Inside
	Short Story	Blue Cooler; The Angels Sing

St. Andrew's Episcopal School - *Educator: Jennifer Gunn*

Tucker Shelson	Journalism	Is the World Still Safe for Democracy?
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St. Andrew's Episcopal School - *Educator: Marty Kelly*

Advikaa Anand	Short Story	In Search of a Story
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St. Andrew's Episcopal School - *Educator: Taylor Kitchings*

Ricky Garcia	Short Story	Le Devoir
Clay Morris	Humor	Always Bet on Black: A Fashion Story

Tishomingo Middle School - *Educator: Meta Armstrong*

Molly Luttrell	Poetry	Collection One
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Washington School - *Educator: Laura Smith*

Taylor Courson	Critical Essay	Kaepernick Deserves Recognition
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SILVER KEY WINNERS

Amory High School – *Educator: Beth Chambers*

Jill Byars	Short Story	Nick's Utopia: Part 1 of 1
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Biloxi High School - *Educator: Melanie McLeod*

Annabella Blowers	Critical Essay	Privacy vs Security
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Cathedral School - *Educator: Jean Biglane*

Mallory Hinson	Critical Essay	Sinners in the Hands of an Angry Puritan Society
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Germantown High School - *Educator: Jamie Dickson*

Emmory Bridges	Poetry	Concept: 2006
Seth Chapin	Short Story	It Smelled of Salt
Camden Clem	Poetry	A Body of Work
Brady Permenter	Short Story	This City of Mine
	Poetry	Rebellious Youth; To My Dearest Sons

Jackson Academy - *Educator: Katharine Todd*

Priya Ray	Poetry	The Nature of Blue
Wisdom Ware	Personal Essay/Memoir	The Time I Thought Black Wasn't Beautiful

SILVER KEY WINNERS

Jackson Preparatory School - *Educator: Paul Smith*

Mary Patton Murphy Poetry
Catherine Watson Poetry

Aubade
Chocolate; in defense of skinned knees

Lamar School - *Educator: Jamie Ransier*

Isabella Durgin Critical Essay
Josephine Hanegan Personal Essay/Memoir

Got Milk?
Coconut Cake

Lamar School - *Educator: Kathryn Scarbrough*

Grace Brown Critical Essay

Sarah Pasha Personal Essay/Memoir
Katie Shaffer Personal Essay/Memoir

Imagery in Billy Budd and "On Moonlit Heath
and Lonesome Bank"
The Human Experience
Whatever Happens, Happens

Madison Central High School - *Educator: Rachel Clapper*

Christian Gines Poetry

All-American Trash; Spoiled Bananas; Winnie
the Pooh

Mississippi School Of Math & Science - *Educator: Emma Richardson*

Landon Alexander Short Story
Aja Ceesay Personal Essay/Memoir
Morgan Emokpae Poetry
Ryley Fallon Poetry
Chylar Gibson Poetry
Victoria Gong Flash Fiction
Journalism
Personal Essay/Memoir
Poetry
Short Story

Leaving Home
Be Grateful
Organic Organism
"A Golden Arm"
Beautiful Sister; One Sound
Monsoon Season
'Lady Bird' and the Teenage Condition
Knockout
whalesong; White Picket Fences
Medea; portrait of drowning youth, summer
1937

River Gordon Poetry
Neziah Igwebuikwe Poetry
Michelle Luo Short Story
Poetry
Jessikah Morton Poetry
Indu Nandula Personal Essay/Memoir
Poetry
Helen Peng Flash Fiction
Poetry

Heat
December
Indian Highway
wrought iron woman
It's Not Just Me
The Picture I See
The Old Guitarist
Saigon
The Creek Beside San Marcos Drive;
Watermelons
Dear Mr. President
Heath Ledger and Hip-Hugging Jeans; Virginia
Slims and Irish Spring

Mildred Perdue Poetry
Madison Wypyski Short Story

Mississippi School of the Arts - *Educator: Tobie Lambert*

Jimeya Mayes Poetry

Where I'm From

SILVER KEY WINNERS

Mississippi School of the Arts - *Educator: Clinesha Sibley*

Janey Aron	Dramatic Script	Young Desperation
	Personal Essay/Memoir	A Letter to My Mom
Kerri Bland	Short Story	The Last Wheelbarrow
Zoe Conner	Flash Fiction	Milk a Duck
	Poetry	Come Hell or Highwater
Madison Cox	Dramatic Script	Contact Light
	Poetry	in the light of the twenty-third hour
	Short Story	Building a Place to House Us
Morgan Crosby	Poetry	The Death Diaries
Tyler Davis	Science Fiction/Fantasy	Mabon
Charlotte Drane	Poetry	1943
	Short Story	There's a Long Wait for Heaven
Timera Gaston	Short Story	One Town - Ten Pockets
Emerson Hultman	Flash Fiction	Shameful
LaNyla McGregory	Poetry	Z
Kai Nations	Personal Essay/Memoir	Cry Yourself to Sleep
	Poetry	A Song for Death
Jackson Palmer	Dramatic Script	Bob Is a Rock
	Poetry	Mr. Mantis
Savannah Phelps	Personal Essay/Memoir	Letter To Maturity
Imani Skipwith	Dramatic Script	Idle
Amaria Sumler	Short Story	Mate
Charlie Thompson	Personal Essay/Memoir	Ode to God Himself
	Poetry	The Worth of a Severed Ear

Murrah High School - *Educator: Sarah Ballard*

Jeffrey Caliedo	Journalism	Impacting The Future Early; This Speech Might Be My Last
	Personal Essay/Memoir	Speech at Jackson Black Pride
	Poetry	Mother Activism
Maggie Jefferis	Poetry	March 24 2018
Ladorian Shelton	Poetry	IV/XIII
Isabella Suell	Flash Fiction	Green eyes

Murrah High School - *Educator: Tarasa Brierly*

Kaitlyn Fowler	Critical Essay	Dear Reader
	Personal Essay/Memoir	The Voice of the Lucky
Mackenzie Williams	Critical Essay	Connecting Knowledge: When the Educator Becomes the Oppressor

Northwest Rankin High School - *Educator: Cindy Christian*

Emma Heimer	Critical Essay	Do Cell Phones Have a Place in Society?
Aubrie Mangum	Critical Essay	Effects of Bullying
Taylor Rae Mullins	Humor	Ole Miss Kinda Gets a Bad Reputation

SILVER KEY WINNERS

Northwest Rankin Middle School - *Educator: Lynn Clark*

Baker Hall	Poetry	Kalopsia; My Roots and My Dandelions; When Reality Hits
Carson May	Short Story	In His Head
Kinsey Nicholson	Poetry	Photographs
Kaydence Norman	Critical Essay	Ban the Owners, Not the Breed!
Lily Tolar	Science Fiction/Fantasy	Space Secrets

O'Bannon High School - *Educator: Magaret Blair*

Britney Bettis	Poetry	Just A Girl
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Oxford High School - *Educator: Dawn Denham*

Charlie Torrent	Personal Essay/Memoir	Road Trip
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Pass Christian High School - *Educator: Dorothy Stewart*

Claire Carter	Poetry	Six Weeks
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Petal High School - *Educator: Crystal Giles*

John Amacker	Journalism	State Sponsored Lotteries - Actual Benefits or Just a Gamble?
Rylee Courtney	Poetry	The Society We Live In
Christian Fong	Science Fiction/Fantasy	Water
Alexander Gibb	Critical Essay	Evaluation of Race Within "Heart of Darkness"
Jennilynn Hall	Critical Essay	Heart of Darkness: Embedded with Racism
Dawson Hoover	Poetry	Reflections
Kami Moler	Critical Essay	Heart of Darkness Essay
Ethan Potesta	Critical Essay	Heart of Darkness Critical Essay

Piney Woods School - *Educator: Chris Windfield*

Alaina Parker	Poetry	Transition
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Ridgeland High School - *Educator: Christine Davidson*

Aniya Grant	Poetry	How to be Black
Kiara Hill	Poetry	Dear America

Rosa Scott School - *Educator: Rebecca Kirk*

Sarah LeRoux	Personal Essay/Memoir	Spirit Animals in the School System
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Sacred Heart Catholic School - *Educator: Betsy McIntire*

Claire Reams	Personal Essay/Memoir	Pine
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St. Andrew's Episcopal School - *Educator: Taylor Kitchings*

Hess Booth	Flash Fiction	In the Ozark
	Short Story	A Brother's Love; Amor Vincit Omnia
Stephen Cook	Poetry	Forget; Truthless
Ricky Garcia	Poetry	The Eye – A Paintbrush
Zahra Naveed	Poetry	Collection--growing upside-down

SILVER KEY WINNERS

St. Andrew's Episcopal School – *Educator: Taylor Kitchings*

Elizabeth Panter

Humor

Julius's Ghost

John Sistrunk

Short Story

TV TUBES

Vicksburg Catholic School - *Educator: Dani Kay Thomas*

Anna Lamanilao

Short Story

The Ring

Washington School - *Educator: Laura Smith*

Taylor Courson

Short Story

False Horns

HONORABLE MENTION WINNERS

Amory High School – *Educator: Beth Chambers*

Jill Byars

Short Story

Ralph, The Target

Booneville High School - *Educator: Terry King*

Reed Lindsey

Critical Essay

Book Review: "Six Kids and a Stuffed Cat"

Poetry

White Perch 'The More the Merrier'

Forest Hill High School - *Educator: Renna Moore*

Mario Bilbrew

Short Story

Short. (in.)

Germantown High School - *Educator: Jamie Dickson*

Emmory Bridges

Poetry

Healing; Roses and IV Drips

Emma Ellard

Poetry

relative distance

Jackson Academy - *Educator: Katharine Todd*

Priya Ray

Poetry

A Scarlet Sunset

Jackson Preparatory School - *Educator: Paul Smith*

Mary Patton Murphy

Poetry

Pillow Party

Jubilee Performing Arts Center - *Educator: Deondra Ellzey*

Victoria Richard

Short Story

They Were Purple

Lamar School - *Educator: Jamie Ransier*

Stella Cummings

Critical Essay

Later School Start Times

Sam deGeneres

Critical Essay

Marijuana Legalization

Sam Garrett

Critical Essay

Social Media and the School's Place

Patricia Syner

Poetry

Death in the Desert

Lamar School - *Educator: Kathryn Scarbrough*

Katie Shaffer

Critical Essay

Good versus Evil; Similarities in Melville's Billy Budd and Housman's "On Moonlit Heath and Lonesome Bank"

Annalise Watson

Critical Essay

Idealism and Realism in Billy Budd and "On Moonlit Heath and Lonesome Bank"

HONORABLE MENTION WINNERS

Mississippi School Of Math & Science - *Educator: Emma Richardson*

Morgan Emokpae	Poetry	Aint Edna
Victoria Gong	Personal Essay/Memoir Poetry	Confessions of a Masochist graham bell; grandma mangosteen; maria; Signals
Neziah Igwebuike	Poetry	Mary of Nazareth
Michelle Luo	Poetry	Palette
Jessikah Morton	Poetry	He's a Window Washer
Indu Nandula	Personal Essay/Memoir	Learning
Helen Peng	Poetry	Dear Mississippi; Paper Cranes
Likhitha Polepalli	Personal Essay/Memoir	Embracing Myself
Madison Wypyski	Poetry	Marlboro Burns

Mississippi School of the Arts - *Educator: Tobie Lambert*

Zoe Holley	Critical Essay	The Medicinal Benefits of the Cannabis Plant; Pops and Punks: The Tipping Point of British Culture; Gothspeed You! Black Emperor; Try Acting...It's Much Easier
Victoria Jerde	Poetry	Perspectives of War
Jimeya Mayes	Poetry	Artistry; Kanye

Mississippi School of the Arts - *Educator: Clinnasha Sibley*

Zoe Conner	Poetry	Six Ways to Sunday; Stained Glass Soldiers; Worth Your Salt
Madison Cox	Dramatic Script Personal Essay/Memoir	The Bends The Suburbs
Lane Craft	Poetry	Winter Sulk
Charlotte Drane	Poetry	Wanderlust
Victoria Jerde	Poetry	Dear Mississippi
Imani Skipwith	Personal Essay/Memoir Poetry	An Open Letter to the Black and White – Typical Path of Sorrow
Amaria Sumler	Personal Essay/Memoir Poetry Short Story	Jesus Girls Angel; Falling; The Day You Died Reverse
Charlie Thompson	Poetry	Held in Place

Murrah High School - *Educator: Sarah Ballard*

Maggie Jefferis	Poetry	I'm not good at titles
Isabella Suell	Flash Fiction Poetry	Purple Polo Ode to Christmas

Murrah High School - *Educator: Tarasa Brierly*

Jeffrey Caliedo	Critical Essay	Corruption Behind the Counter: How Fast Food Controls Our Country
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New Hope High School - *Educator: Mary Nagy*

Abby Strain	Poetry	Crumbling Bones
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Northwest Rankin High School - *Educator: April Carter*

Paris Baker	Critical Essay	Elimination of Controversy
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HONORABLE MENTION WINNERS

Northwest Rankin High School - *Educator: Cindy Christian*

Peyton Poe Critical Essay
 Personal Essay/Memoir
Morgan Stovall Critical Essay

Guilty Until Proven Innocent
The Bond of Family
Social Media

Northwest Rankin Middle School - *Educator: Lynn Clark*

Sloan Berry Humor
Baker Hall Short Story
Mattie Hill Poetry
Abigail Hoeniges Poetry
JaneClaire King Poetry

We're Still Afloat
Reunion
The Eye of a Hurricane
Choices; Credo; Cry; An Unfinished Story
I Believe

Oxford High School - *Educator: Paige Whitten*

Eleanor Berry Poetry

At the Scene; The Hidden; Mo(u)rning; Sold,
Unknown

Oxford High School - *Educator: Dawn Denham*

Rebekah Moen Critical Essay

Fast Fashion

Petal High School - *Educator: Crystal Giles*

Storm Brewer Personal Essay/Memoir
Anna Brumfield Critical Essay
Mallory Extine Critical Essay

Christian Fong Critical Essay
Kyra Lampley Poetry
Sebastian Martinez-Solano Poetry
Hailey Morgan Critical Essay
Quay Robinson Flash Fiction
Ethan Yang Critical Essay

Mother
Heart of Darkness Argument
The Argument Against Imperialism: Joseph
Conrad's Heart of Darkness
What is the Heart of Darkness?
Acceptance
The Cave
Anti-Colonialism in Heart of Darkness
Dreams
Heart of Darkness Critical Analysis

Rosa Scott School - *Educator: Rebecca Kirk*

Josie Henning Poetry
Taylor Martin Critical Essay
Ellie Ross Poetry

Sally Stockett Critical Essay

Wilted flowers
Issues With Using Phones While Driving
The Wind and the Rain and Everything in
Between
Why Foster?

Sacred Heart Catholic School - *Educator: Betsy McIntire*

Claire Reams Dramatic Script

Gnossienne

St. Andrew's Episcopal School - *Educator: Carolyn Brown*

Miley Ray Critical Essay

Hamlet's Axiomatic Misogyny

St. Andrew's Episcopal School - *Educator: Jennifer Gunn*

Olivia Huckabay Critical Essay

Society Made Lazy: How Technology is Creating
a Divide within our World

St. Andrew's Episcopal School - *Educator: Ruth Holmes*

Miley Ray Critical Essay

Nature Desires to Inspire

HONORABLE MENTION WINNERS

St. Andrew's Episcopal School - *Educator: Taylor Kitchings*

Hess Booth

Poetry

Distance

Stephen Cook

Poetry

X Stars and Stripes X

Jaiya McMillan

Critical Essay

Mixed, Not Mixed Up

Vicksburg Catholic School - *Educator: Dani Kay Thomas*

Anna Lamanilao

Poetry

There is Something in Store for Me