GENERAL ELIGIBILITY

An entrant must be currently enrolled in a League for Innovation board member college. Enrollment must be verified by the local coordinator.

Entries must be original works written during the student’s enrollment in credit courses at the college. Each entry must have the student and sponsoring faculty member’s signature.

Entries must be submitted in two forms:
- A hard copy, typewritten or word processed and double-spaced on 8.5 x 11-inch white paper
- A disk copy on a 3.5-inch high-density disk (The disk should contain no files other than the entry.)

A cover page for each entry must include:
- Author’s name and signature
- Social security/insurance number
- Home address
- Phone number
- Coordinator’s name and signature
- Institution
- Title of entry

The upper right corner of each page of the entry must include:
- Title of entry
- Author’s social security/insurance number
- Page number

MAXIMUM LENGTH

- Poem – 67 lines
- Personal Essay – 2,000 words
- One-Act Play – 3,000 words
- (including stage directions and production notes)
- Short Story – 3,000 words

JUDGING

In each category, the judge is a nationally recognized writer. The decisions of the judges are final.

Poetry: Olive Senior
Personal Essay: Andrew Clark
One-Act Play: Ed Roy
Short Story: Wayson Choy

AWARDS

Prize money will be distributed in each category as follows:

First Prize.................. $500
Second Prize................ $200
Third Prize.................. $100

Judges may award one Honorable Mention at their discretion.
Judges may select passages from non-winning entries for excerpt.

Judges, if they see fit, may choose not to award all prizes.

TIMELINES

Fall 2004
Each institution will promote the national contest, determine the due date for local entries, and arrange local judging.

January-February 2005
Each institution will collect and judge its entries.

March 31, 2005
Campus coordinators will send local winning entries to Linda Albis, Humber Institute of Technology & Advanced Learning, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

May 1, 2005
Winners of the national competition will be announced. All winning entries will be published in a League for Innovation student literary magazine.