



2022

*A festival celebrating the creativity of people 55 and older*

## Call to Writers

### Michigan visual artists and writers age 55+

Creative 360 is seeking original, imaginative art to be read and displayed as part of our 13th Annual Artfest 55 festival celebrating the creativity of Michigan residents age 55 and over.

The exhibit opening, written word competition, and award announcements all take place Friday, June 24, 2022 from 6:30—8:30 pm.

## INFORMATION FOR WRITERS

Creative 360 is seeking original poems, short stories, and memoirs for the *Sentimental Journeys* writing contest.

### Jurists

Luana Russell, Sarah Yoder, and Jim Crissman

### Deadlines

- **Notify Creative 360 at (989)837-1885 or [creed@becreative360.org](mailto:creed@becreative360.org) of your intent to enter.**
- **Writings and payment must be received by Creative 360 by noon on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 via email (strongly preferred) or you may mail or drop off an electronic copy if email is not available. Contact Creative 360 if you need to submit a paper copy.**

### Rules of the Competition

- Entries must be the original work of a Michigan resident age 55 or older.
- Submissions must fit into one of the following categories:
  - Memoir:** Non-fiction; recalling memories and experiences from your past -1500 words or less
  - Short Story:** Fiction, created from the imagination of the writer - 1500 words or less
  - Poetry:** 1500 words or less
- Works must not have been previously published for the public.
- Each entry must contain a *Sentimental Journeys* application sheet (one is attached to this call) which is also available online at [www.becreative360.org](http://www.becreative360.org) or call (989)837-1885 to request a mailed copy.
- The piece itself must not contain references that identify the author to ensure impartial judging.

### Prizes and More

- \$100 cash prize will be awarded to the first place winner in each category. Each entrant may receive a copy of the written entries booklet (hard copy or electronically). Please call to request a hard copy, which will be available after awards are announced. More hard copies may be purchased for \$5 each.

### Fees and Finances

- The entry fee is \$20 (cash/check) \$23 (credit/debit) per work (limited to one entry per category for each entrant). Make checks payable to Creative 360 with Artfest 55 in the subject line.

Please contact us with questions (989)837-1885 or email to [creed@becreative360.org](mailto:creed@becreative360.org).

*\*Employees and board members of Creative 360 are not eligible to win prizes.*



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## Sentimental Journeys ~ Creative Writing Application Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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|   | <p>Payment of \$20 cash/check or \$23 credit/debit and a copy of this application form must accompany your work. You may submit one work in each category.</p>  |
| <p><b>Poetry / Title</b><br/>_____→</p>   |   |
| <p><b>Memoir / Title</b><br/>(Non-fiction)<br/>_____→</p>   |   |
| <p><b>Short Story / Title</b><br/>_____→</p>  |   |
| <p>I would like to receive my copy of the written word booklet formatted as:<br/>A printed booklet _____.<br/>An email _____.</p> | <p>If you are a winner in one of the categories, would you be willing to read your entry on stage on June 24th during the award ceremony?<br/>If not, let us know and we will arrange to have your piece read for you.<br/>YES _____ NO _____</p> |

**More Artfest 55 opportunities:**  
There will be an exhibition of visual art, 2D, 3D, photography, and sculpture.  
Awards will be presented during the opening on Friday, June 24th.

Call for an entry or visit the web site for entry forms.  
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PAYMENT RECIEVED



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