



NORTHERN PERSUASIONS

Finlandia University Students Spring 2016 Writing Contest

Cash Prizes!
First Prize \$100
Honorable Mention: \$50

This place, this northern extremity of wind, water and snow, white pines and eagles, old copper mines and canals, Finns and Ojibwa, bear and pike, challenges easy descriptions. It's richer and more complex than any one writer can represent. Describe it yourself. Express your own image of this place in some of its iterations. Tell a story, write a poem, or describe a scene. Just set it here, in the north, where the light lingers and fades to the call of a loon, or a snowmobile roars through the dark morning, or something completely, utterly unexpected happens. Wherever you're from, wherever you're headed, right now you're Northern. Tell us what that means.

Contest Guidelines

- All submissions will be entered in a drawing for a \$25 gift certificate from North Wind Books
- Open to all currently enrolled Finlandia University students
- Non-fiction, fiction, poetry, or memoir
- Submission deadline Friday, March 18, 2016 by 4:00 p.m.
- One entry per student
- Entries must be submitted electronically to: alana.nolan@finlandia.edu
- Maximum length 1000 words (approximately 4 pages). Poetry submissions maximum of three poems.
- Formatting
 - Typed, double spaced
 - Standard margins
 - First page heading to include:
 - "Northern Persuasions" writing contest
 - Title of submission (the name of your piece)
 - Your name, phone number & Finlandia e-mail (note: notification of winners will be made via Finlandia e-mail)
- Certificates and prizes will be awarded to the winners on April 9, 2016 during an open-mic event at K.C Bonkers in downtown Hancock.
- Questions? Contact: Alana Nolan alana.nolan@finlandia.edu 487-7309 or Mark Lounibos mark.lounibos@finlandia.edu 487-7336

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