**LANCASHIRE AUTHORS ASSOCIATION**

**OPEN FLASH FICTION COMPETITION**

**WIN £100**

**A STORY IN EXACTLY 100 WORDS**

**Closing Date 31st March 2025**

**Competition Rules:**

1. **Entrants must be sixteen years or over, do not have to be members of the LAA and may reside anywhere in the world.**
2. **Entries must be original, unpublished work which is not currently submitted for publication or entered into any other competition or award.**
3. **Entries must comprise one document with two pages. The first, or header page must have the entrant’s full name, address, e-mail address, phone number and story title. The second page must also have the story title together with the story. No personal details may appear on the second page.**
4. **Each story entered must be double spaced and be exactly 100 words not including the title. A sample is provided please study it carefully.**
5. **The competition is for a story of exactly 100 words. Poems, adverts and other forms of writing are not included. In the sample provided you will notice that the story itself is 100 words not including the title. Entries less or more than 100 words will be disqualified.**

**How to enter:**

1. **Entries may be submitted as a Word attachment to** **laa100word@gmail.com** **Safe receipt of all email entries will be acknowledged.**
2. **Postal entries may be submitted to LAA 100Word, 1 Chatsworth Court, Chorley Lancashire, PR6 9SA. A receipt will be sent if the entry is accompanied by a SAE or by email**
3. **The entry fee is £2 or £5 for the maximum of three entries.**
4. **Entry fees may be paid by PayPal. Log on to your own PayPal account and pay** **laa100word@gmail.com** **. Alternatively pay directly into our bank account with Santander. You will need to set the Lancashire Authors Association up as a payee. Please write to** **laa100word@gmail.com** **for how to do that. If you have neither a PayPal account nor online banking you may send a cheque to LAA 100 Word, 1 Chatsworth Court, Chorley, Lancashire. PR6 9SA**

**Judging:**

1. **The competition judges will be appointed by the Competitions’ Secretary whose decision will be final with no correspondence entered into**
2. **The winner will be notified within three months of the closing date. The name of the winner will be posted on the association’s website.**
3. **After the winner is announced unplaced entries may be submitted elsewhere**
4. **The winning entry may not be submitted elsewhere for 12 months after that date without permission of the Lancashire Authors Association**
5. **The Lancashire Authors’ Association retains the right to publish the winning entry in any form during those twelve months.**

**For the competition to run there must be a minimum of 35 entries**