



FOR THE
CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS
2023 APPLICATION

NEW \$200

****Ercel Eaton Creative Writing Award****

****In memory of Ercel Eaton, author, poet, and journalist, VBA is offering a \$200 award to students in the creative writing field.***

2023 Award \$200.00
Ercel Eaton Creative Writing Award Application

Mission Statement

The mission of the Ercel Eaton Creative Writing Award is to inspire writers to improve their craft and to motivate writers to get published.

ELIGIBILITY: MUST be a student 16 years of age or older and reside, take classes/workshops or be enrolled as a student in a Butler County, Ohio school, college, or university.

REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Submission of one creative writing piece 250 – 750 words in PDF format.**
2. Currently enrolled as a student in a Butler County, Ohio school, college, or university.
3. Two (2) Essay Questions
4. One (1) Recommendation from a current teacher/instructor in the field of writing and to be included in complete application packet.
5. Short Biography
6. **Electronic Submissions:** Email to virginiabudgeaward@gmail.com. Completed forms must be sent in **one** email **except** for recommendation letter which must be sent directly from the teacher/instructor. **PDF** format only.

Submissions will be accepted until **APRIL. 15th, 2023**
No late or incomplete applications will be considered.



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PLEASE PRINT

Contact Information:

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____ M.I. _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/ ST _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE # (____) _____ CELL PHONE# (____) _____

BIRTH DATE ____/____/____ E-MAIL _____

AGE _____ WRITING INTEREST _____

Preferred Contact Method (i.e. email, phone...) _____

Education:

Are you currently attending a college/university? Full time _____ Part Time _____ Not Attending _____

Where _____

Your Goal: Degree and/or Other _____

Parent(s)/Guardian (if under 18) _____ Phone# _____

Address if different from Applicant _____

Experience:

Have you had any formal training or specialized classes in your area of writing interest(s) ?

YES _____ NO _____

If yes, please list below: courses, lessons, and school(s) attended:

_____ Date attended _____

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Special recognitions received (Attach additional sheet if needed):

_____ Year received _____

_____ Year received _____



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Essay Question#1:

What are your career plans, aspirations, goals, etc.?
(Attach additional sheet if needed)

Essay Question #2:

Please describe how you would use the Award if chosen by the Committee.
(Attach additional sheet if needed)



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Student Award Recommendation Form

Current/Former Teacher/Instructor in Applicant's Field Writing

_____ has applied for an award to further his/her interest in the Writing. Your recommendation will be considered in evaluating the applicant's credentials. Please furnish us with YOUR personal and professional opinion on the candidate's merit. Thank you for your assistance.

If mail-in applicant, please return form to the applicant in a sealed envelope.

For electronic submissions, please include the applicant's name and your name and title in **PDF** format only to: virginiabudgeaward@gmail.com

Application deadline is **APRIL 15th, 2023** for the applicant to be considered, therefore we would gratefully appreciate a prompt reply.

Thank you for your assistance.

Bridget Ossmann

Name _____ Title _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____



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√ **CHECK LIST FOR APPLICANTS:**

- _____ Creative writing piece
- _____ Student Application including completion of (2) Essay Questions
- _____ Recommendation Complete (1) Teacher/Instructor ***IN*** Field of Study
- _____ Proof of enrollment in Butler County, Ohio; school, college, university, class, workshops
- _____ **Short Biography**