

GRAHAM GREENE

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL 2012

GGBT Creative Writing Awards 2012

To enter the Graham Greene Birthplace Trust's Creative Writing Awards, writers are invited to submit written texts under one or more of seven categories, and a panel of judges will decide the best entries. Awards will be announced at the Festival 2012. Winning texts may be displayed for the public to read at the Festival and on the Festival's website.

Awards are offered in the following categories:

- (1) best prose fiction writer;
- (2) best prose thriller writer;
- (3) best prose travel writer;
- (4) best screenplay writer;
- (5) best (prose or screenplay) writer under the age of twenty-one years on 1st April 2012;
- (6) best (prose or screenplay) Berkhamstedian writer (i.e. a writer who is a pupil at Berkhamsted School on 1st April 2012);
- (7) best (prose or screenplay) Old Berkhamstedian writer (i.e. a writer who is a former pupil at Berkhamsted School on 1st April 2012).

Prose writers must begin with the following line, and continue from there:

'A voice near his / her / my foot said, "Got a cigarette?"...'

Screenplay writers must embed this line somewhere in their dialogue:

'A voice near his / her/ my foot said, "Got a cigarette?"...'

The rules and practices governing the Awards are:

- (a) each entry shall be written mostly in the English language and shall have a title; each prose entry shall be no more than 800 words; each screenplay entry shall be written on no more than four sides of A4 paper in a normal font size (e.g. Times New Roman 11pt) ; each entry shall be a complete text and not an extract from a larger text;
- (b) each entry shall be typed, shall be submitted as a pdf file and attached to an e-mail message sent to the [Awards' Secretary](mailto:RGuy@berkhamstedschool.org) [e-mail: RGuy@berkhamstedschool.org] by the closing date, which is 1st April 2012;
- (c) each entry must be original and unpublished, must be submitted under a specific category, and must have been written by the person who submits the work;
- (d) a writer may submit an entry in more than one category, provided that the entry is different in each case;
- (e) a writer must also supply full contact details, including real name, full postal address and telephone number;
- (f) a writer who submits work in category (5) or (6) or (7) must also present evidence of status and eligibility to the Awards' Secretary along with the entry;
- (g) entries received after the closing date shall not be considered for an Award;
- (h) writers shall be responsible for the appropriateness, suitability, decency and legality of their own written entries, and neither the Graham Greene Birthplace Trust nor its judges nor any of its members or associates shall be responsible for the content of such entries;
- (i) An entry which is deemed to be inappropriate, unsuitable, obscene, offensive or illegal shall not be considered for an Award, and may be the subject of legal action;
- (j) Awards shall be announced at the Graham Greene International Festival in September 2012;
- (k) an Award shall not be made under a specific category if, in the opinion of the judges, there is no entry which merits an Award;
- (l) the decisions of the judges shall be final, and no correspondence shall be entered into.

Further information on the Awards and any amendments may be seen on the following sites:

[the Festival's web site](http://www.grahamgreenefestival.com), <http://www.grahamgreenefestival.com>

[the Festival's Facebook page](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Graham-Greene-International-Festival/55327438605), <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Graham-Greene-International-Festival/55327438605>

[the ex-Director's Blog](http://grahamgreenefestival.blogspot.com/), <http://grahamgreenefestival.blogspot.com/>

The Awards will be judged by Rebekah Lattin-Rawstrone, Creina Mansfield, William Ivory and Dermot Gilvary.