



Accepting Submissions Sept. 1 Whatcom WRITES! 2015 Theme - "COMPETITION"

*Have you ever entered a competition where winning wasn't the point?
Have you won and found it wasn't what you expected?
Or perhaps competition was an interior journey for you. How did it transform you?
Who helped you along the way? What did you learn about yourself or the world?*

How to submit:

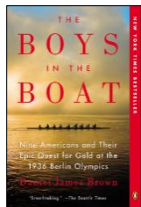
- Contest begins September 1, 2014. **All entries must be submitted by midnight, December 1, 2014.**
- Write up to 800 words on the theme "COMPETITION" (see the writing prompts above).
- Send your entry via email to whatcomwritespress2015@gmail.com
- **In the subject line** of your email please include your name, title of work, and word count.
- **In the body of the email** please include your name, school if you attend one, community you live in, and phone number.
- Submissions are limited to one entry per person.
- Two Microsoft Word documents should be attached separately to your email:
 - a biographical author statement (max 50 words) and
 - your submission (max 800 words).*
- Poetry, fiction, and non-fiction are welcome.

**Public access to computers and Microsoft Word can be found at your local academic or public library.*

Details:

Whatcom READS! will publish an anthology of the top entries received. Portions of an entry may be used rather than the whole. By submitting an entry, all writers grant permission to Whatcom READS! to share their writing in Whatcom READS! sponsored publications, online at www.whatcomreads.org, and on Whatcom READS! social media sites. Rights return to the author upon publication.

Writers accepted into the anthology will be notified in December 2014 and will be invited to read at Village Books on Sunday, February 8, 2015. Winning writers will receive a copy of the anthology.



This writing contest is in celebration of the Whatcom READS! 2015 book selection *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown. Don't miss his visit to Whatcom County February 24-26, 2015. For all the details, visit www.WhatcomREADS.org.



Whatcom READS! is a county-wide program that encourages everyone to read and discuss the same book. Organized by the public and academic libraries of Whatcom County and our community partner, Village Books, with major funding from the Friends of the Bellingham Public Library and the Whatcom County Library Foundation. Made possible in part by a grant from Humanities Washington, a state-wide non-profit organization supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the state of Washington, and contributions from individuals and foundations.