



Award for Illustrated Words

Al-Futtaim Digital Storytelling Competition

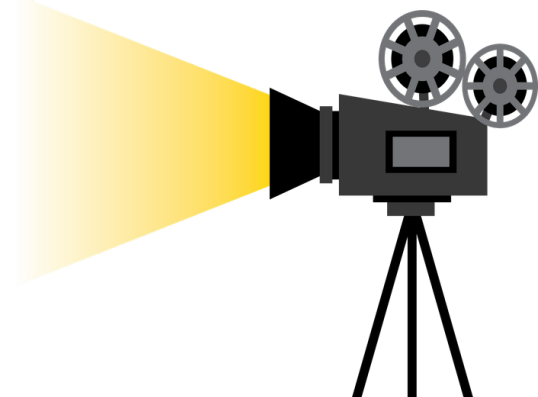
The Al Futtaim Illustrated Word Award opens participation to high school students (aged 14 to 18), to form teams of four students working together to produce a short film of two to three minutes, depicting a part of a book or poem.

The competition focuses on showcasing artistic and creative abilities through the creative interpretation of literary works, offering participants a unique opportunity for teamwork and exploring new ways to express texts.

Please note: This competition only runs in Arabic.

For more details click [here](#)

Last date to submit: **2 March 2027**





Letter writing competition

There is something powerful about a handwritten letter – it is personal, it is brave, and it is uniquely yours. The key to a good letter is not only in the words and tone you use. It is also in the penmanship, the choice of paper, and most of all, the feeling it evokes in its recipient.

And this competition celebrates both the aesthetic of **handwriting** and that of a **well-crafted message**.

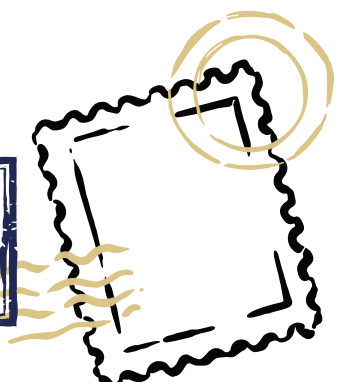
The Letter Writing Competition 2027 by the Emirates Literature Foundation returns with a new theme: **Heroes**.

Who would you write a letter to if you wanted to thank, honour, or better understand a hero? Your hero could be someone close to you, someone from history, or even a fictional character. They might have changed your life in a big way or simply left a lasting impact through a small act of kindness.

You can write your letter in English or Arabic.

For more details click [here](#) for English and [here](#) for Arabic

Last date to submit: **8 January 2027**





Oxford University Press Story writing competition

The Oxford University Press Story Writing Competition 2027 by the Emirates Literature Foundation returns with a new theme: **Heroes**

This year, we are asking a simple question: what does a hero look like to you?

Heroes are not always found in stories or great adventures. They usually appear in small decisions, difficult choices, or simple acts of kindness.

As you start writing, don't feel like you have to define a hero in one way. Think about the many ways a hero can be and the stories that come from that.

We can't wait to meet the heroes you imagine and the worlds you build around them.

You can write your story in English or Arabic.

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Last date to submit: **10 December 2026**

