

The 2nd Annual Franklin TN Sister Cities  
Young Authors Showcase



2022 Theme:

**“Generation Rescue: Sustainable Water for All”**



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### Submission Guidelines

**DEADLINE: March 4, 2022**

**Theme:** “Generation Rescue: Sustainable Water for All”

Students should explore the following questions:

1. What does water sustainability mean to you?
2. Has your community been affected by climate change and water disruption?
3. How can you, as a future leader, contribute to the solution?

### **Specifications:**

- Students may select one (1) piece of ORIGINAL writing to submit for this showcase.
- Articles can be creative writing, essays, anecdotes, and other written works excluding poetry. (The Poetry competition has a separate application).
- Article submissions are not to exceed 500 words.
- Submissions must be written in English.
- Judges will evaluate submissions based on theme interpretation, creativity, composition, and grammar.

### **Entries:**

Each participating student author must be between 13 and 18 years of age by April 1, 2022. All entries must be the original work of the entrant. Only new pieces inspired by the theme should be submitted.

**Articles must be submitted to the Franklin TN’ Sister Cities office (via email) by  
March 4, 2022**

Email: [sctnstudentexchange@gmail.com](mailto:sctnstudentexchange@gmail.com)

### **Judging:**

A panel will judge entries on the basis of originality, composition, and theme interpretation. Author’s name and name of school are kept confidential until judging has been completed. The judges’ decision will be final. The top five articles selected will be sent to Sister Cities International for the international competition.

### **Awards:**

**Local Competition:** First, second, and third places will be chosen and cash prizes will be awarded by Sister Cities Franklin to the students. 1<sup>st</sup> place will receive \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$75; and third place - \$50. The winning student’s teacher will receive \$100 from Franklin Sister Cities for supplies.

First, Second and Third place winners will be selected in the international competition in Washington D.C. The Grand Prize Winner (1<sup>st</sup> place) will receive \$1,000; 2<sup>nd</sup> place will receive \$250; and 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive \$100. The winning articles will be published on the Sister Cities International website.

Young Authors Showcase Entry Form

**Deadline: March 4, 2022**

Please print clearly or type and attach this form with the written submission.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Work: \_\_\_\_\_

What inspired you to create this work?

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By submitting the entry, we agree to give Franklin TN Sister Cities and Sister Cities International, its members and affiliates, permission to publish and display the submitted entry at public exhibits, online, in publications and/or promotional materials, at the discretion of Franklin TN Sister Cities and Sister Cities International. We agree to abide by all the rules and terms of the showcase and agree to waive all claims of any kind against the showcase organizers.

Artist Signature \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_