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2012 Writing Competition Prompt

As part of its Annual Choral Tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., *Living the Dream...Singing the Dream: Celebrating the Legacy of Martin Luther King*, and in celebration of Black History Month, The Choral Arts Society of Washington hosts an annual K-12 student writing competition. Students are encouraged to apply their knowledge of the Civil Rights Movement and Dr. King's work to the writing competition prompt. Inspired by the dedication of the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial in Washington, DC this fall, students are asked to respond in poetic form to the following prompt:

How will you keep Dr. King's dream alive for future generations?

Acceptable Entries:

Poems

All entries should be typed if at all possible.

Competition Divisions:

Division 1: students in kindergarten through 2nd grade

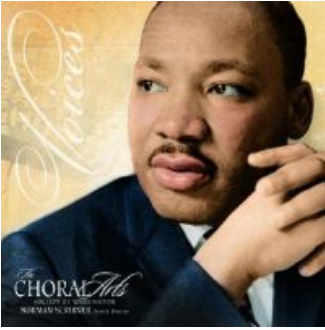
Division 2: students in grades 3 through 5

Division 3: students in grades 6 through 8

Division 4: students in grades 9 through 12

Teachers are encouraged to direct the writing assignment as it will best suit individual classrooms, hold in-class competitions and then submit the winners. Teachers or parents may also allow individual students to elect to participate. Each entry must be submitted with either a **teacher or parent entry form**. The student's name/school should not appear on the writing entry but rather on the entry form. Writing samples will be judged by members of The Choral Arts Society of Washington staff and first place from each division will be posted on our website. Additional entries will be posted as part of the Choral Arts' website and Online Learning Community at the discretion of the Education and Community Programs Manager.

Please submit entries and entry forms by **February 29, 2012** to:
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Writing Competition Entry Form For Submission by the Student's Teacher

Student Name: _____ Student Grade: _____

School Name: _____ Teacher Name: _____

Teacher Phone: _____ Teacher E-mail: _____

Competition Divisions: (please check one)

- Division 1: students in kindergarten through 2nd grade
- Division 2: students in grades 3 through 5
- Division 3: students in grades 6 through 8
- Division 4: students in grades 9 through 12

By entering this writing competition hosted by The Choral Arts Society of Washington, I understand that the student's entry will not be returned. As a teacher of this student, I confirm that I have spoken with the minor student's parent or guardian (if parent/guardian has not signed below) and that they agree to the following:

- As a contest entrant, the student's name, school and original writing may be posted on the Choral Arts website and Online Learning Community at the discretion of the Choral Arts' Education and Community Programs Manager.
- Should the student's writing be selected as the winner, the student's name and school may be published with the student's original writing on the Choral Arts website and in the Choral Arts 2013 MLK Tribute Playbill.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Teacher's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____
(optional, as school rules require)

Submission Instructions:

- Please submit one entry form with each writing entry submitted.
- Please do not put student's name or school on the writing entry.
- Please attach this entry form to the student's writing entry using a staple.
- All entries should be typed if at all possible.
- Please submit all writing samples to the address below no later than **February 29, 2012.**

Please submit all entries and entry forms to:
Writing Competition
The Choral Arts Society of Washington
5225 Wisconsin Avenue, NW Suite 603
Washington, DC 20015-2024
Fax: 202-244-4244



**Writing Competition Entry Form
For Submission by the Student's Parent/Guardian**

Student Name: _____

Student Grade: _____

School Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Phone: _____

Parent E-mail: _____

Competition Divisions: (please check one)

- Division 1: students in kindergarten through 2nd grade
- Division 2: students in grades 3 through 5
- Division 3: students in grades 6 through 8
- Division 4: students in grades 9 through 12

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Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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