

# SAROYAN

## WRITING CONTEST 2012

Presented by the William Saroyan Society in association with Fresno County Public Library and the Fresno County Office of Education

# Students

1st grade through college

STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE.

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| <b>1st place \$100</b> EACH | <b>6 DIVISIONS</b><br>Grades 1-2<br>Grades 3-4<br>Grades 5-6<br>Grades 7-9<br>Grades 10-12<br>College |
| <b>2nd place \$75</b> EACH  |   |
| <b>3rd place \$50</b> EACH  |   |

**THEME: WHICH FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER HAS HAD THE GREATEST IMPACT ON YOUR LIFE? WHY?** William Saroyan is one of the most famous personalities to emerge from our area, leaving a lasting impression on this community and the world. His interaction with both famous and ordinary people helped to mold his life and work. Please consider this as you think about who has had the greatest impact on your life. Why is this person important to you? In what way has this person's influence caused you to think about what kind of impact you may wish to have on your community?

**STORY LENGTH:** Judges will look for stories that do not exceed two pages. In NO case should a story exceed three pages.

**CLASS PROJECTS:** Teachers who utilize this contest for class projects must screen the essays and submit only the superior papers [the top 10%]. Essays must include the grade awarded and the teacher's signature.

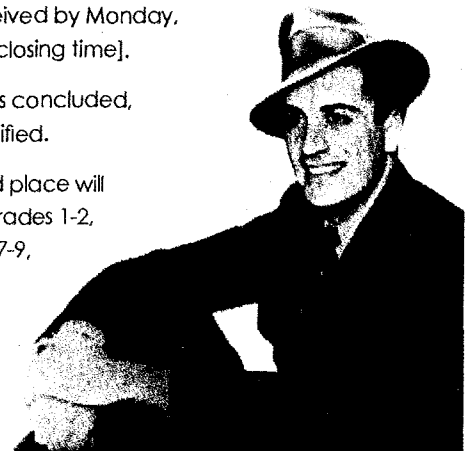
**IDENTIFICATION:** Complete the form below and attach to entry.

**DEADLINE:** Entries must be received by Monday, March 5, 2012 by 5pm [library closing time].

**NOTIFICATION:** When judging is concluded, the winners' schools will be notified.

**AWARDS:** First, second and third place will be selected in each division: Grades 1-2, grades 3-4, grades 5-6, grades 7-9, grades 10-12 and college.

**AWARDS CEREMONY:** Prizes awarded at Woodward Park Regional Library on April 26, 2012 at 5pm.



Mail entry to: Karen Coletti at Fresno County Public Library, 2420 Mariposa St., Fresno CA 93721  
Please type or print information legibly and attach to back of entry.

name \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_

street address \_\_\_\_\_ city/state/zip \_\_\_\_\_

email address \_\_\_\_\_ grade \_\_\_\_\_ teacher \_\_\_\_\_

school name \_\_\_\_\_ school phone \_\_\_\_\_

street address \_\_\_\_\_ city/state/zip \_\_\_\_\_

My story can be published or read on radio:  YES  NO

Student with special needs:  YES  NO