

GLOBAL VOICES

2024 ESSAY CONTEST

MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

THEME: AUTHORING OUR OWN STORIES

- Youth have the chance to tell a new story about their homelands and their unique, personal experiences. They can choose to claim, re-frame, or reject the dominant narratives, and give a new perspective on what life is like in the Middle East and North Africa for youth in 2024.



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Sub-themes:

- Everyday Life and Culture
- Media Coverage
- Race and Citizenship
- Forging Connections
- Youth and Leadership

Open to: 15-24-year-old citizens of Middle East and North African nations

Due date: August 30, 2024

Length: 600-900 words

Essay language: English

Learn more:

- Please visit our website for detailed information about the essay contest, including submission instructions**, and judging criteria.

1ST PRIZE
500 USD

2ND PRIZE
200 USD

3RD PRIZE
100 USD

* Youth who hold citizenship or refugee status from a nation in the Middle East or North Africa. Dual citizenship is permitted. Eligible nationalities include: Afghan; Algerian; Armenian; Assyrian / Chaldean; Azerbaijani; Bahraini; Berber; Circassian; Djiboutian; Egyptian; Emirati; Georgian; Israeli; Iranian; Iraqi; Jordanian; Kurdish; Kuwaiti; Lebanese; Libyan; Mauritanian; Moroccan; Omani; Palestinian; Qatari; Saudi Arabian; Somali; Sudanese; Syrian; Tunisian; Turkish; Yemeni.

** The best essays within each sub-theme will be published online and/or in print. By submitting an essay, you must agree that it may be published online and/or in print. Any proceeds will be used to advance global youth advocacy, access, and opportunity.



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