

Teen writing contest winners announced

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The results are in for the 2024 Teen Writing Contest presented jointly by the North Vancouver City and North Vancouver District libraries! We received 27 impressive submissions from North Shore teens, all in response to our theme “Echoes from the Past”. The submissions were judged by library staff, local authors, and teens from both libraries’ teen advisory groups. The judges agreed that this year was particularly difficult to judge because of the high quality of submissions. The five winners were announced at the teen writing contest party held at NVCL on Saturday, Oct. 19, 2024. These winners have had their stories made into small books which are now available in our libraries (see links below)!

Here are the winners:

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- Overall winner: *Cherry*, by Cynthia Yu. [View in catalogue](#).
- Grades 7 – 9 first place: *Timeless Lessons*, by Amelia Horwood. [View in catalogue](#).
- Grades 7 – 9 honourable mention: *Forgotten in Flames*, by Cates Rios. [View in catalogue](#).
- Grades 10 – 12 first place: *Once There Were Dragons*, by Rachel MacDonald-Lin. [View in catalogue](#).
- Grades 10 – 12 honourable mention: *The Potatoes*, by Olivia Garnett. [View in catalogue](#).
- Audience Choice (tie): *Smoke*, by Melodee Stromotich and *Flowers*, by Iris Clark.

Congrats to all our talented winners, and a huge thank you to everyone who joined us!

Special thanks to Earnest Ice Cream and KidsBooks for supplying some of our prizes.