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## **Crowder Quill Opens Contest**

Neosho, Mo. – The *Crowder Quill* art and literary magazine is now accepting submissions for its annual contest. The deadline is Feb. 1 every year for post-marked entries. All other entries will be due Feb. 4 and should be uploaded to <a href="https://www.CrowderQuill.wordpress.com">www.CrowderQuill.wordpress.com</a>

Crowder students as well as area high school students and adult community members compete for awards and publication in the categories of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, photography, digital, 2D and 3D art. "The purpose of the *Crowder Quill* is to showcase and encourage artistic and literary works," Bailey said. Individuals may submit up to four entries in each category. Specific guidelines for each category and more information can be obtained from the website. Email <a href="Quill@crowder.edu">Quill@crowder.edu</a> or call 417-455-5410 to make arrangements for hand-delivered art entries or if internet access is an issue.

Winning entrants will be notified by April. They will receive an award (gold, silver, bronze medal or honorable mention certificate) and will be published in the magazine. High school gold winners will also be offered scholarships subject to enrolling in specific, related courses. The awards ceremony and open mic poetry reading will be May 8 in the Farber Building.

The *Quill* has been published since 1980 and is distributed free on campus and in the community. The magazine is the effort of students in the Magazine Production course, COMM 111. Students publicize the contest, judge the entries and prepare and host the awards ceremony. Students from a variety of major gain valuable skills in graphics, organization, and teamwork, Bailey said.

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