

Café Peace

Love is Not Abuse
Creative Writing Contest



Date: February 8th 2007

Time: 00:00

OFFICIAL RULES

Eligibility: This contest is open to all writers ages 13 – 19, published or not, regardless of experience, from Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson, and York County. Entries can be poems or essays, no longer than one page in length. *Only one entry per participant, please.* The Teen Dating Violence Task Force will only consider original essays and poems written by teens. Possible topics include healthy relationships, how to empower yourself to avoid relationship violence, “red flags”/ signs of abusers, and experiences with emotional and physical abuse, sexual assault, harassment, and family violence.

Judging: Entries are judged on the basis of originality, creativity, artistic quality, and the adherence to the theme. Judging is done by an independent, volunteer panel. All decisions of the judges are final.

Rights: In short, all poems and essays remain the property of the artist at all times. By submitting an entry to this contest, the artist also gives the Teen Dating Violence Task Force the right to publish their entry on the Transitions Family Violence Services web site. The Teen Dating Violence Task Force is under no obligation to publish every contest entry and can disqualify any entry at any time.

Entry: You may mail your poem or essay to: Creative Writing Contest, Transitions Family Violence Services, P.O. Box 561, Hampton, VA 23669. It can also be faxed to (757) 728-1538, ATTN: Julia Campbell. Email entries (preferred method) to jcampbell@transitionsfvs.org If mailed via post, entries will not be mailed back unless requested and a postage-paid envelope is sent with the entry. Please provide an email address, as winners will be notified by email.

Creative Writing Web sites:

<http://www.writing.com>

<http://www.webenglishteacher.com/creative.html>

Prizes

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Snail Mail/E-mail Entry

Email:
jcampbell@transitionsfvs.org
Snail Mail:
PO Box 561
Hampton, VA 23666

Winners will be notified by email and/or phone.

Winners are required to attend the Award Ceremony and Open Mic Night at Barnes & Noble in Hampton on February 8, 2007.

Winners can choose whether or not to read their winning entry aloud at the Award

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