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Sharjah Children's Book Award

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The Sharjah Children's Reading Festival (SCRF) strives to develop reading among children as well as improving the children's book industry standards. In its current session, the SCRF will present a number of awards dedicated to children's books. With its more sophisticated selection, judgement and promotion methodology. This will help the awarded books to get their deserved publicity.

Award Objectives

Being concerned with encouraging writers and different creators to produce high level works in the field of children's literature, the Sharjah Children's Reading Festival has decided to launch the "Sharjah Children's Book Awards" which is meant to develop children's literary and cultural abilities, improve their literary awareness and enrich libraries with children's literary works.

The award targets 3 categories:

- Arabic Children's books (from 4 to 12 years old)
- Arabic Young Adult books (from 13 to 17 years old)
- International Children's books (from 7 to 13 years old)

Targeted Nominees

- Publishers- the selection of the Best Book of the Year will be made based on the records of publishers as well as pre-collected and standardized data.
- Writers- the award shall be shared by the author and illustrator of the winning book (written content/ visual content).

Value

The prize money of the Award is AED 20,000.



Conditions

- Nominated book must be new and unique in its field.
- The first edition of the nominated book must have been published in the past 2 years prior to current SCRF.
- Nominated book should not be a revised edition.
- Nominated writer must not have won a prize for the category applied in the past two years.
- Sharjah Book Authority Management shall not return submitted copies to nominees.
- Nominated book must not have won a literary award before.
- Translated books or those developed from other books are not accepted.
- Applicants must specify to which category the books are nominated.
- Sharjah Book Authority Management shall have the right to use covers of and excerpts from awarded books in all types of SCRF marketing communications without taking the approval from the publisher or writer.
- The candidates have no right to contest any of the jury decisions.
- The awards shall be launched prior to SCRF each year.
- Nominations will be closed on the 5th of March each year.
- Winners shall be announced in a special awards ceremony.

Requirements

- Filled nomination form
- Three copies of the nominated book (nonreturnable)
- Brief of the publisher as well as curricula vitae of the writer and illustrator
- A Copy of Valid Passport or ID of the writer and illustrator



Application Form

Sharjah Children's Book

Award

Nomination Form Sharjah Children's Book Award

Author:.....

City:.....

Country:.....

Nominated book title:.....

Category:

- Arabic Children's books (from 4 to 12 years old)
- Arabic Young Adult books (from 13 to 17 years old)
- International Children's books (from 7 to 13 years old)

ISBN:.....

Mail address:.....

P. O. Box:.....

City:.....

Country:.....

Postal code:.....

Email:.....

Publisher's name:.....

Publishing year:.....

Nominating party's signature:.....

Date:

Sharjah Children's Book Award

**(Books for visually impaired
children)**

Sharjah Children's Book Award

(Books for visually impaired children)

This award is meant to promote books targeting readers in a very critical stage of their personal development. This is even more important when it comes to blind and partially sighted children. To fulfill its vision and mission, the Sharjah Book Authority has launched this new award to encourage excellence in the production of books for visually impaired children and to be fully active in evaluating, publishing and internationally marketing of the winning books.

Selection Criteria

Accepted concepts must meet the following requirements:

1. Tactile pictures that use different styles enabling three dimensional images.
2. Images must be accurately glued and fixed.
3. Text must be printed in clear, large and differentiated fonts as well as those printed in Braille characters.
4. The book can be fully opened easily and tactile reading is easy with no interruptions.
5. Different and clear colors are used to stimulate the sight of partially sighted children.
6. Literary valuable text with no typing, grammar or writing mistakes.

Conditions

1. The award shall be given to books targeting visually impaired children.
2. Books can be new and original creations or special editions developed from other existing books and licensed by their original publishers.
3. Nominated book must be complete and ready for production.
4. Nominated book must be new and unique in its field.
5. The first edition of the nominated book must have been published in the past 2 years prior to the current SCRF.

6. Nominated book should not be a revised edition.
7. Nominated writer must not have won a prize for the applied category in the past two years.
8. Sharjah Book Authority Management shall not return submitted copies to nominees.
9. Nominated book must not have won a literary award before.
10. Translated books or those developed from other books are not accepted.
11. Applicants must specify to which categories books are nominated.
12. SIBF organizers shall have the right to use covers of and excerpts from awarded books in all types of SCRF marketing communications without taking the approval from the publisher or writer.
13. The candidates have no right to contest any of the jury decisions.
14. The awards shall be launched prior to SCRF each year.
15. Nominations will be closed on the 5th of March each year.
16. Winners shall be announced in a special awards ceremony.

Requirements

1. Filled nomination form.
2. Three copies of the nominated books (nonreturnable).
3. Brief of the publisher as well as curriculum vitae of the writer and illustrator.

Value

The prize money of the award is AED 20,000.



Participation Form

**Sharjah Children's Book Award for
visually impaired children**

Nomination Form Sharjah Children's Book Award (Books for visually impaired children)

1- Original concepts

Book title:.....

Author's name:.....

Illustrator's name:.....

Age group category:.....

2- Developed concepts-from existing books

Publisher:.....

ISBN:.....

Copyright holder:.....

Name of the Illustrator of the original book:.....

Name of the Author of the original book:.....

Name of the Illustrator of the tactile edition:.....

Name of the Author of the tactile edition:.....

3- Participant details form (personal/ corporate)

Name:.....

Address:.....

Phone:.....

I hereby certify that the concept is not associated with any copyrights whatsoever.

4- Written permission by the copyright holder of the original book acknowledging approval of any changes.

Participant's signature:.....

Participation Form

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visually impaired children