



**YOUNG WRITERS will be featured at ASAP!'s 20th Year Celebration**  
*Saturday, June 1, 2019*

The After School Arts Program (ASAP!) is celebrating 20 years with a special event that will showcase the work of young writers from across the state of Connecticut. All public, private, and home-schooled children in grades K-12 are encouraged to participate in this inspiring literary project. A panel of judges will select exceptional pieces of writing through a blind process where all names and schools are removed.

This year's special 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, held at The Gunnery in Washington, will have performances of dance, music, theatre, and film, and young writers will take center stage to read their selected pieces. The evening will include the presentation of The Frank McCourt Prize for Excellence in Teaching to an outstanding teacher.

Following the performance will be a celebration party with dinner and live music. We hope you will join us in celebrating our next generation of great writers.

**SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

Pieces are selected for creative content. The panel of judges may take an excerpt or edit pieces due to time limitations. Teachers, please submit pieces that highlight your students' strengths and talent. **Students whose pieces are selected are required to attend the event on Saturday, June 1, 2019.**

- **Deadline for submissions is Saturday, March 30, 2019.**
- Teachers or parents may enter their students' submissions. Students may submit on their own.
- Only one entry is allowed per student.
- All writings must be submitted electronically by going to <https://asapct.wufoo.com/forms/r13et65a0wv8pyx/>
- The link can also be accessed through ASAP!'s website at [asapct.org](http://asapct.org)
- Title must be included in the "Writing Submission" section.
- Writings must be 410 words (including title) or less and may include: poetry, short story, short play, or an act from a play.
- **Pieces WILL NOT be accepted if they do not follow these guidelines.**

For questions please contact Jessica at ASAP! (860) 868-0740, ext. 304 or email [jessica@asapct.org](mailto:jessica@asapct.org).

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