All In! Young Writers Festival 2016

YOUTHspeak: The Future of Writing

Paper Presentation Guidelines

YOUTHspeak features representative-students from partner-schools who will present pre-selected papers on a variety of topics approved by their mentors. Each selected paper is allocated 5-10 minutes for presentation, followed by a round table Q&A of approximately 10 minutes. The session supports the use of PowerPoint presentations.

The essay shall be 800-1,000 words long, typed with 1.5 space on normal margin using either Arial, Calibri or Times New Roman on point 11 or 12, in English, and will be based on either of the following topics:

- Selfies and the Value of Self-Expression
- Writing as an Art, as an Outlet, as a Vision
- Personal Internet Profiles and Portrayal
- Youthful Trends that Spark Inspirations
- Fears and Dilemmas of the Younger Years
- The News and the Youth
- Character Development through School and Streets
- The Youth and the Future of ASEAN Literature
- Theatre and the Youth
- Disparity and Social Divide among the Youth of Asia
- A Day in the Life of An Ordinary Youth
- The Sheltered Societies and the Youth of Tomorrow
- The Youth and Social Media: Thrills, Frills and Challenges

Prior to submission, the essays shall be vetted internally by each partner-school, which shall choose five (5) potential candidates to represent it in the session. Submissions will be in .doc, .docx and .pdf formats only, and sent via email to the Festival Manager on or before **31 January 2016**.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

The Festival organisers will then choose from this roster, the paper for presentation based on the following criteria:

1. **Technical Soundness**, which refers to grammatical correctness, sentence fluency, and adherence to word count; and,
2. **Structure and Format**, which refers to coherence of ideas presented, organisation, voice and tone, word choice, arguments presented and the reasoning behind such arguments.

The Festival organisers will then inform the school-partners which selected paper will be presented in the session on or before **29 February 2016**. However, all five papers selected by the school-partners will be included in the compilation of essays that will be electronically made available on the Festival website afterwards.

SLIDE PRESENTATION GUIDELINES
For Selected Paper Presentations

- Select only the key points of your presentation. Use lesser text.
- Avoid using images with 200dpi and above as it restricts the file from processing faster.
- Use a standard font and a relatively large point size so that your text is readable to those seated at the back.
- Keep text and visual animation at a minimum.
- As a rule of thumb, the number of slides in your presentation should be less than the presentation time allowed e.g., 10 slides for a 15 minute presentation allows you to speak for 1.5 minutes.
- Send all PowerPoint presentations to Festival organisers on or before **5 March 2016**. Bring a paper copy of your Presentation with you to the Conference as well as the Power Point file in a thumb drive just in case.

File Extensions: If your Mac version of Office does not append the file extension, be sure to include it in your filename. Use .ppt or .pptx for PowerPoint files and .pps for PowerPoint slideshows.

Equipment set up: Each room will be equipped with a standard audio-visual package to support an electronic presentation (laptop, data projector, screen, and microphone). If you are using a Mac, please bring your own VGA adapter.

TIMELINE
The project will have the following timeline:

Activity	Target Dates (2015-2016)	Expected Output
Project Launch/ Call for Papers	1 October 2015	Online launch through social media-based campaign
Selection Process (Within School Partners)	October 2015 - January 2016	Selected papers vetted by partner-schools
Submission of Papers	31 January 2016	5 selected papers per partner-school, for selection
Selection Process (By Festival Organisers)	February 2016	5 papers for presentation at All In! 2016
Announcement of Selected Papers for Presentation	29 February 2016	
Logistics Preparation for Presentation	March 2016	Presentation requirements and confirmed student-presenters
Paper Presentation	12 March 2016	Paper Presentation at All In! 2016
Compilation of All Papers Submitted by School Partners	April 2016	Final roster of featured papers from partner-schools
Layout, Editing and Design of Compiled Papers	April - July 2016	Final layout of e-publication of compiled papers
Launch of ePublication in Assigned Platform	August 2016	Final ePublication