Put pen to paper to win cash prizes and be published

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Put your pen to paper for the chance to win cash prizes.

The Canadian Federation of University Women, in partnership with York Region Media Group, hosts the seventh annual short story contest. Residents and students in York Region and Bradford under 23 years of age are invited to write a story beginning with the sentence "It was time for a change".

"The club brainstorms and develops an open theme to encourage students to go in all directions with it," CFUW spokesperson Carol Gordon said. "This is a wonderful opportunity for young writers to get some feedback."

For the second year, celebrity judge Jennifer



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The Canadian Federation of University Women Aurora-Newmarket is hosting its seventh annual short story contest and giving full-time students from York Region and Bradford under the age of 23 the chance to win cash prizes.

Dance, an author from Stouffville, will be reading and selecting submissions for cash prizes of \$400, \$300, \$200 and \$25.

The winners will be announced in April 2017.

Along with the cash prize, the winning story will be printed in the Newmarket Era, Aurora Banner and East Gwillimbury Express.

Last year, the contest

attracted 150 submissions.

"This year we are really encouraging more young men to participate," she added. "Last year, the ratio of girls to boys was about 4:1."

The entry fee is \$5, which goes toward cash prizes. Stories must be submitted by Feb. 13.

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