



# St. Mark Festival 2016

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## Midwest Coptic Orthodox Churches Creative Writing Rules

**This competition is for participants in 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, College Students and Adults.**

1. Be creative! You can write a song, a poem, a short story, a play, a personal experience, etc. It must be appropriate and spiritual.
2. Write something that is related to the theme of the St. Mark Festival.
3. All papers must be the original work of the participant and should reflect his or her creative ability. All based on individual effort.
4. On the cover page, put your name, church name, title of your paper, and your grade level.
5. The servant from your church must email the **top 3** in each grade group by **Sunday, July 31st, 2016**. **There will be no exceptions for creative writing submissions after this date. Servants please email the papers to [st.markfestival@gmail.com](mailto:st.markfestival@gmail.com).**
6. **Plagiarism is strictly prohibited and your paper will not be accepted into the regional competition.**
7. All papers must be made only for this year's Mahragan. **Any previous papers will be disqualified.**
8. The top 3 names are the only names allowed to compete in the regional competition. **Additional or substituted papers/names are not allowed to join the competition.**

**"Taste and See"**

**"Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who trusts in Him!" (Psalms 34:8)**