

CREATIVITY CONTEST

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Storymoja Festival, the largest literary festival in East Africa, we call on children throughout Kenya to get involved!

Send us your interesting stories and creative illustrations based on the festival theme so that we can create a **Storymoja 2017 Anthology!** The theme of the festival this year is **Black Peace**.

We also will choose one story to be performed at the Storymoja Festival Read Aloud on Friday 29th September. It will also be sent to schools across the country where it will be read by thousands of children!

Every school is invited to take part. It doesn't matter what genre of writing you choose. Historical, present day or future, Science fiction or fact: you can write it about someone real (even yourself!) or someone made up. It's up to you!

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Submit an essay based on the theme Black Peace. For 5 – 13 year olds, the essay should not be longer than 500 words; 1000 words maximum for 14 – 18 years

OR

Submit an original illustration that best portrays the theme of *Black Peace*. Each piece should be no bigger than A4 size. Pieces can be in colour. However, be advised that, they may be reproduced in black and white.

PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

There are three age categories: 5-9, 10-13, 14-18 years

Each school is allowed to send a maximum of 15 entries (Please distribute these entries across the age groups).

All work must be inspired by the theme 'Black Peace'

All pieces must contain a name, the school represented and the age of the student

By sending in illustrations, you are giving permission for Storymoja to publish them.

The judges' decisions will be final.

Students whose pieces are shortlisted after the judging process will get free entry to the Storymoja Festival 2017

DEADLINE

Pieces should be submitted to **wangari@storymojafrica.co.ke** by **16th June 2017** or posted to Storymoja Festival Creativity Contest, PO Box 264, 00606 Sarit Centre, Westlands.