



Escritura Revuelta

THE DEPARTMENT OF HISPANIC STUDIES
SECTION OF CREATIVE WRITING
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

announces the

**LITERARY AWARD
ESCRITURA REVUELTA
Convocation 2020**

along the following
RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. The general goal of this award is firstly to celebrate the enormous prowess of literature written in Spanish in the United States, stressing the fact that Spanish is not (and has never been) a foreign language, and, furthermore, that it is not merely a marker of linguistic diversity, but a vehicle of thought, creativity and sensibility. At the same time, the award privileges modes of expression that are less attended to by major publishing houses and even academia. Last but not least, the award is and shall remain overtly political, unsilencing oppressed and underprivileged minorities, allowing for the discussion of important and contested topics, refusing to conceal uncomfortable tensions for the *status quo*.
2. The particular goal of this literary award is to promote literature as a form to expose discourses, identities and subjectivities as ones who have been under attack by the heteronormative societies which are still imposing role models and values upon subjects while disregarding our diversity as human beings.
3. The specific topic of the 2020 call is Latinx literature, understood as an artistic expression that arises from the different Latin American emigrations, diasporas, and exiles in the United States and their intersectionalities, and which in turn promotes an inclusive language.
4. The award is open to all writers who are enrolled in a Spanish graduate program (MA, MFA, Ph.D.) in the United States for the 2019-2020 academic year.
5. Contestants should submit their work according to the following guidelines:

- a) Send five (5) copies of the unpublished manuscript in one sealed envelope. Manuscripts should be between 10-15 poems or 20-40 pages of narrative or drama. Entries should be typed, single sided, and double spaced using Times New Roman or similar font, 12 point, on 8.5 x 11-inch paper and **written in Spanish** (different modes are accepted: Peninsular Spanish, Latinamerican, or US Latino). On the first page of each of the five copies, ONLY the title of the work should appear.
- b) In a separate sealed envelope, a page that states the title of the work, the participant's name, address, and a contact phone number must also be included. On the cover of this envelope, ONLY the title of the work should be written.
- c) A copy of at least one semester of course enrollment for the 2019-2020 academic year must be included.
- d) All of the documents should be sent in a single envelope to the following address (it is recommended that the package be sent by certified mail):

Premio Literario Escritura Revuelta
Department of Hispanic Studies
The University of Houston
3553 Cullen Boulevard Room 416
Houston, Texas 77204-3062

6. The postmark deadline for submission is September 11, 2020. Submissions will not be returned.
7. One prize of \$2,000 will be awarded (this amount may be subject to tax withholdings; to receive the award, participants need to have a SSN and will need to fill out a W9 Form). The administration reserves the exclusive right to publish and promote the work for one year without remuneration to the author. A selection of the awarded work will be published in the magazine *Literal, Latin American Voices*.
8. The jury will be comprised of distinguished writers and professors whose names will be released once the prize has been awarded. The jury's decision cannot be appealed. The jury retains the right not to grant an award to the 2020 submissions.
9. The jury will announce its decision no later than October 20, 2020. The winner will be announced by the press networks of the Department of Hispanic Studies and the University of Houston.
10. The award ceremony will be held at a public event on a date and place that will be announced in due course. The winner will be invited to participate in a presentation/recital of the awarded work.
11. By submitting the work for consideration in the Literary Prize Escritura Revuelta, the participant agrees to the conditions as stated and interpreted by the administration and award committee.