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 Providing Opportunity for Cultural Growth
Youth in Focus at Guyana Folk Festival 2006

The Guyana Folk Festival 2006 ESSAY COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN OF GUYANESE DESCENT

[Download the Entry Form here \(PDF file 87K\)](#)
ENTRY DEADLINE - JULY 30, 2006

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This year the Guyana Folk Festival joins the Cooperative Republic of Guyana, South America in the acknowledgment of forty years of independence and in a retrospective of one of the significant events of Guyana, South America and the nations of the Caribbean region: Carifesta, 1972.

"CONVERSATIONS ABOUT GUYANA: STORIES TOLD BY MY FAMILY"
 THE 20th GUYANA FOLK FESTIVAL ESSAY COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN OF GUYANESE DESCENT

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

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THE RULES OF THE ESSAY COMPETITION

Who: Children of Guyanese descent aged 7-17.
Age Group: 7-11, 12-17.
Topic: Conversations about Guyana: stories told by my family.
Deadline: July 30, 2006.
Prizes: Cash prizes and trophies.
Entry Fee: None.
Eligibility: Open to all children of Guyanese descent, regardless of their current residence.
Submission: Essays should be typed, double-spaced, on one side of the paper, and submitted to the Guyana Cultural Association, 100 Broad Street, Georgetown, Guyana.
Copyright: All rights reserved. The Guyana Cultural Association reserves the right to publish any and all entries in its magazine and on its website.

Name: _____
 Date of Birth: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 Country: _____
 Telephone: _____
 E-mail: _____

Please fill in this form, sign and return to: Guyana Cultural Association, 100 Broad Street, Georgetown, Guyana.

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Upcoming Events

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The Rules of the Essay Competition

The Theme

Conversations about Guyana: stories told by my family.

Eligibility

This competition is open to all children of Guyanese descent, worldwide.

Age Groups

There are three age groups:

- 7 - 10 years
- 11 - 13 years
- 14 - 17 years

Essay format

- Each entry must be in essay form. There must be an adherence to the basic rules of grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- For the first two groups, 7 -10 and 11-13, the essay must be in the contestant's own hand. If possible, the essay may be typed.
- For the third group, ages 14 - 17, the essay must be typed.

This essay may be e-mailed as a Word document. However, any e-mailed copy must be followed by a hard copy. In all cases no faxed copies will be accepted.

Length of Essay.

- For the first group, 7 - 10 years old: the essay must be no less than 100 words.
- For the second group, 11-13 years old: the essay must be no less than 250 words.
- For the third group, 14 - 17 years old: the essay must be no less than 350 words.

A recent photograph of the contestant must accompany the entry.

Prizes

There are three prizes for each group.

Prizes include:

Computers

Educational Games

Age appropriate selections of books, recorded poems, music and songs written and/or composed by Guyanese

Winning essays will be published and available at the Guyana Folk Festival Events, 2006. Each winner must sign the attached waiver to this effect.

Deadline

All essays, in hard copy, are due on July 15, 2006. No late entries will be considered.

Send all essays to:

In North America:

Guyana Cultural Association of New York
1368 East 89th Street, Suite 2

Click for previous years:

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Brooklyn, NY 11236, USA

In Guyana:

C/o Artistes in Direct Support
223 Wellington Street
Lacytown, Georgetown
Tel: 225-5112
Email: artsup@guyana.net.gy

The Officers and members of Guyana Folk Festival/ Guyana Cultural Association look forward to the participation of children in the Diaspora and Guyana. This notice is generalized to academic, cultural and religious institutions.

For information concerning the events for Guyana Folk Festival, 2006 and for a record of the events of past years please visit, guyfolkfest.org.

Contact: Claire Goring: (718) 209-5207.

The Committee for the Essay Competition:

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