

# “ CONVERSATIONS ABOUT GUYANA : STORIES TOLD BY MY FAMILY”

THE 2006 GUYANA FOLK FESTIVAL ESSAY COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN OF GUYANESE DESCENT

## OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Guyana Folk Festival, through its parent organization, Guyana Cultural Association, announces an **essay competition for children of Guyanese descent**. This competition is part of the annual celebration of the cultural heritage of the people of Guyana. Guyana Cultural Association, a not-for-profit entity is committed to the preservation, propagation and promotion of the cultural heritage of the people of Guyana. For more details on this competition please visit our official website: [www.guyanafolkfest.org](http://www.guyanafolkfest.org)

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## THE RULES OF THE ESSAY COMPETITION

### The Theme

*Conversations about Guyana: stories told by my family.*

### Age Groups

There are three age groups:

7 - 10 years

11 - 13 years

14 - 17 years

### 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**.

### Eligibility

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

### 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.**

### DEADLINE

All essays, in hard copy, are due on **July 15, 2006**. No late entries will be considered. Send all essays to :

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**Please fill in items 1-8 below, sign and attach this form to your entry. Thank you!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Essay: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Words: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note: A recent photograph of the contestant must accompany the entry, along with proof of entrants Guyanese descent. Winning essays will be published for exhibition at the Guyana Folk Festival Events, 2006.**

I hereby submit that the information contained on this form is correct and that the entry submitted is my own original work. I understand and accept that if my entry wins the Guyana Folk Festival Association reserves the right to publish my work without further permission or compensation beyond the prizes I will receive. I understand that I will however still own the copyright to my work.

Signature

Date:

