



The Center for Gifted  
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2017

# International Torrance Legacy Creativity Awards

Creative Writing  
Visual Arts  
Music Composition  
Inventions

Students are invited to submit their finest creative work to help celebrate the great legacy and heritage of educator and creativity pioneer, Dr. E. Paul Torrance, author of more than 2,000 tests, articles, and books.

**Submissions Accepted: January 1-August 21, 2017 | Students ages 8-18**

**Themes:** *Students are encouraged to interpret freely these themes.*

- The Honor and The Glory
- A Grateful Heart
- What A Mystery!
- Couldn't Help Laughing
- Journey to Forever
- A Reluctant Adventure
- Who Would've Thought
- Exploring a New Universe

## Creative Writing

### Poetry and the Short Story

Creative writers may submit one poem and/or one story, responding to any one of our six themes. There is no prescribed word limit for poems; there is, however, a 1,250 word limit for stories. Students may find "Tips for Writers" supportive of their original ideas and expression (see website).

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## Visual Arts

Students may submit photographs of any 2D or 3D visual art, including without limitation painting, collage, printmaking, photography, sculpture, ceramics, or other related work. Please note that you must submit a photographic representation of your work of art. *Each student may submit only one submission for the category of 2D or 3D art or both.*

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## Music Composition

Students may submit original musical compositions for any solo instrument or any combination of instruments or voice (e.g., solo piano, multiple instruments, voice and accompaniment, vocal duet). All submissions must include a recording of the composition and a score. *All materials must be submitted on a CD/DVD to: Edwin C. Selby, The Center for Gifted, 1926 Waukegan Rd., Suite 2, Glenview, IL. 60025 USA*

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## Inventions

**Categories: Arts and Leisure; Science and Engineering; Toys and Games.** Write a 300-500 word description and include 3D drawings or photos of all aspects of the invention. *One invention accepted per category.*

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