

# PRIZE FOR INDIGENOUS LITERATURES OF AMERICA PLIA

## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS 2017

In order to recognise and stimulate literary creativity of writers in indigenous languages, the University of Guadalajara, the Federal Government's Secretariat for Culture, the National Indigenous Languages Institute, the National Commission for the Development for Indigenous Peoples (CDI), the Jalisco State Secretariat for Education (SEJ) and the Jalisco State Secretariat for Culture (SCJ) welcome submissions for the Indigenous Literatures of America Prize 2017, pursuant to the following rules:

**FIRST:** For the 2017 competition, the Indigenous Literatures of America Prize will be awarded in the genre of poetry.

**SECOND:** Candidates for the prize, regardless of their current place of residence, will be writers on indigenous peoples in the American continent.

**THIRD:** The author's work must express or recreate integral aesthetic elements of their culture and must contribute to its preservation, advancement and dissemination.

**FOURTH:** The theme of the work is open, must have a maximum length of 100 pages, 12-point Arial font size and 1.5 line spacing.

**FIFTH:** Authors' nominations must be submitted by cultural and educational institutions, associations or publishing groups.

**SIXTH:** Applications must be registered via the Internet at: [www.cunorte.udg.mx/plia](http://www.cunorte.udg.mx/plia) with the completion of a registration form and to which should be attached in PDF format the following documents:

- A letter stating the reasons for the nomination issued by the institution supporting the nomination of the candidate.
- The unpublished work with which he or she is submitting, in a separate file, one in the indigenous language and one in the language of his/her country of origin. His or her name should not appear in these documents, only a pseudonym.

**SEVENTH:** Data regarding the identity of the participant will remain under the protection of the institution that administers the registration website and it will only have access in order to obtain the identity of the winner.

**EIGHTH:** Registration is open for the reception of submissions from 6th April and will close 15th July 2017 at 23:59 (Mexico City time). Under no circumstances will applications be accepted after this date.

**NINE.** Nominees cannot be:

1. Members of the Interinstitutional Commission or employees of the convening institutions.
2. Members who form part of the Prize's Awards Panel.
3. Those are participating with the same work in other competitions and are awaiting a decision or are in process of receiving an award.

**TEN:** Three distinguished figures from the literary world (two national and foreign) will constitute the jury and their decision will be final.

**ELEVEN:** The sum of the prize money, one sole and indivisible prize, consists of 300,000 pesos (three hundred thousand Mexican pesos) or the equivalent calculated at the exchange rate in effect on April 6th in the present year.

**TWELFTH:** The results and the winner of the prize will be announced at a press conference 17th August 2017.

**THIRTEENTH:** The awards ceremony will take place December 2nd at 16:30 hours en Salon 2, Expo-Guadalajara as part of the Guadalajara International Book Fair 2017, in Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.

**FOURTEENTH:** Participants undertake to follow the conditions of entry which govern this call for submissions. Any breach of any of the rules will result in the automatic disqualification of participant's submission.

**FIFTEENTH:** The convening institutions are exempt from any responsibility attributable by the contestants for the partial or total reproduction of the works of third parties that infringe Federal Copyright Law or any other applicable legal provision, in which case they will be subject to what the responsible authorities determine.

**SIXTEENTH:** Any unforeseen cases in this call for submissions will be resolved by the Interinstitutional Prize Commission, which comprises representatives from the organising institutions, and their decision will be final.

Further information

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