

**Wisconsin Romance Writers of America's  
2008 Write Touch: Readers' Award Contest  
(For published members of RWA with full-length romance novels/copyright date of 2007)**

**DEADLINE: JANUARY 8, 2008**

**BOOK TITLE:** \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHOR'S NAME (Legal)\_\_\_\_\_PSEUDONYM: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLISHER/LINE: \_\_\_\_\_ISBN#: \_\_\_\_\_

**ENTRANT INFORMATION:**

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

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_RWA Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_WisRWA Member: Y \_ N\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment: Check \_\_\_\_\_ PayPal # \_\_\_\_\_

**CATEGORY:** (Mark **first** choice with a "1" and **alternate** choice, where possible, with a "2" in case your first choice category doesn't achieve the required minimum number of entries.)

\_\_\_\_ Short & Long Series Contemporary

\_\_\_\_ Mainstream w/Romantic Elements

\_\_\_\_ Single Title Contemporary

\_\_\_\_ Historical (Short & Long, includes Regency)

\_\_\_\_ Erotica/Romantica

\_\_\_\_ Inspirational/Traditional Contemporary

\_\_\_\_ Futuristic/Fantasy/Paranormal/TT

\_\_\_\_ Romantic Suspense

If you are a finalist, you will receive a second certificate to send to your editor.

Editor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Publisher: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the official rules of WisRWA's WRITE TOUCH: READERS' AWARDS writing contest. I realize and accept that judging is subjective and agree to abide by the decision of any judges and/or contest officials and shall hold harmless WisRWA, its contest personnel and/or judges for any and all disputes arising from contest rulings or decisions, and/or disputes arising from circumstances beyond the control of contest officials.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## CONTEST RULES

- All books entered must have an **original copyright or first US printing date of 2007**.
- Each category must have at least five entries to be judged. If you do not **mark an alternate category**, and your first choice category fails to achieve the five required entries, your entry(ies), as well as any associated entry fee(s), will be returned.
- The reader-judges will keep the copies of your books, so **PLEASE AUTOGRAPH YOUR BOOKS**.
- **E-published books** must be submitted in either **book format or in a bound landscape galley format**.
- Score sheets will be returned **only if a SASE is included**. (We discard them after the contest is over.)
- A book can't be entered into more than one category. **Each entry must be accompanied by a separate entry form, but you may write one check for all entry fees**, payable to Wisconsin RWA. We accept PayPal as well.
- Entries must be **RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT, JANUARY 08, 2008**. Late entries will be returned. If the deadline falls on a national holiday with no mail service, the deadline will automatically be extended by one day.
- Official entry consists of **THREE autographed copies** of each book, **one** entry form per book entered, and \$25.00 entry fee per each book entered. NOTE: **As a benefit of membership, all published WisRWA members in good standing receive ONE FREE CONTEST ENTRY PER YEAR**.
- Mail entry materials ( 3 autographed books, entry form for each book, payment, except if using PayPal) to:  

WisRWA's Write Touch Readers' Award Contest  
c/o Virginia McCullough  
2527 Telluride Trail, # D  
Green Bay WI 54313
- Entries will be judged by romance readers certifying **not** to be members of any professional writing organization or associated with the publishing industry in any way, other than a reader.
- In the case of lost or missing score sheets (due to judge error or problems with mail delivery), all reasonable efforts will be made to obtain scores from reader judges, including, but not limited to, e-mail, phone, or fax. WisRWA is not responsible for lost or missing score sheets. If hard copies of score sheets are unobtainable, and scores were received by some other means, entrants will be informed as to those scores if they requested score sheets be returned to them. If scores are unable to be obtained through alternative means (other than the hard copies of score sheets), a final score for that particular entry or entries will be derived by averaging all scores that have been received for that entry or entries. In this case, if the entrant has requested that score sheets be returned, all of the available score sheets will be returned.
- Finalists will be notified by phone or email no later than April 13, 2008.
- First, Second, and Third place recipients will be recognized at WisRWA's WRITE TOUCH CONFERENCE in May 2008, and invited to participate in the book signing reception.
- A plaque or another similar recognition award will be given to the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner in each category.; certificates will be awarded to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> placeholders in each category.
- We will publish contest results in WisRWA's THE WRITE TOUCH newsletter and on WisRWA's web site, and we'll send a list of winners to RWA's ROMANCE WRITER'S REPORT.
- Any questions, please contact Virginia McCullough at the above address, or by email [vemccullough@earthlink.net](mailto:vemccullough@earthlink.net) or by phone (920-662-9633). **Email preferred, but calls welcomed, too..**