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### **SHORT STORY CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED**

*Springfield Public Library awards area teens for writing submissions*

Thirty-one young adults in grades 7-12 wrote a story for the Springfield Public Library's Teen Short Story Writing Contest. All stories began with the sentence: *I shouldn't be reading this book.*

The high school winners are: first place, Gaia Brusasco; second place, Ashley Garrelts; third place, Merry Fuller. Middle School winners are: first place, Tyler Roberts; second place, Alexis Byers; third place, Janne Keskinen. The following students received honorable mentions: Halley Balkovich, Marquis Bouanhuenh, Jessie Caldera, Samantha Chastain, Adrienne Constable, Janell Dunn, Skye Elder, Kereena Emerald, William Friend, Alexys Gibson, Nick Hewitt, Austin Jones, Paisley Jones, Alex Karner, Emily Kreger, McKay Luke, Jesus Martinez, Kelly Mason, Anna Miller, Shelby Nelson, Joe Nicholls, Nicole Payne, Michael Ray, Tyler Rossiter, and Nick Thompson.

KeyBank and Springfield Public Library are the event sponsors. All stories are on display in the young adult section of the library. Some winning entries will also be published on the library's website at [www.ci.springfield.or.us/library/teen/teenpage.htm](http://www.ci.springfield.or.us/library/teen/teenpage.htm).

**What:** Springfield Public Library's Teen Short Story Writing Contest winners

**Where:** Stories are on display in the young adult section of the library

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