

Norfolk Federation of WIs Charity No. 1201046

The Communication Committee's

Creative Writing Competition 2025 Open to Members of Norfolk Federation

'Grandma's Handbag'

Develop your piece, using this theme/title as the prompt, in any style/genre you choose, fact or fiction, however, it should be presented anonymously

The judges will be looking for a piece which

- Hooks the reader quickly, with enough telling details and appropriate vocabulary to bring it alive
- Is a satisfying read, with a clear plot or point
- Paints a picture with words
- Is well-presented, with layout and word count, as requested, noted at the end of the piece, with acceptable spelling and punctuation



Please ensure that you adhere to the following schedule:

(only those entries that do so will proceed to judging)

- ◆ A short story that is entirely your own work on the theme above, to be told in circa 650 words (a margin of 10 either way)
- Your submission can be typed or clearly handwritten. Please number the pages and add the word count at the end
- Names and identifying details should be changed to protect the privacy of individuals
- Do not put your name on the script itself, but attach a covering sheet with your name, address, phone and/or email contact, and the name of your WI. Include a sae if you want the script returned by post
- ◆ To be submitted to Federation Office, either by email (<u>admin@norfolkwi.org.uk</u>) or by post to 45 All Saints Green, Norwich NR1 3LY
- Entry Fee £2.00 per script: Only 1 entry per member By cheque made payable to NFWI On the reverse please write "Writing 2025" and the name of your WI OR: By BACS: To NFWI Sort Code 08-92-99 Account No. 67360071 Payments should be referenced with your Surname, WI and "Writing 2025"
- ◆ The Norfolk Federation Writing Competition Trophy and a £25 WI Voucher will be presented to the winner at the Federation Annual Meeting in 2026
- Winner and runners-up entries will be published in the Federation Magazine on Social Media, or online
- It does not have to reference the WI

Closing date Tuesday 31st December 2025

Don't forget, no one else sees the world the way you do, so no one else can tell the stories that you have to tell: Charles de Lint

Good Luck with your entries!