

# The Caine Prize For African Writing 2019

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**The Caine Prize for African Writing** is a literature prize awarded to a short story by an African writer published in *English*, whether in Africa or elsewhere. 'An African writer' is taken to mean someone who was born in Africa, or who is a national of an African country, or who has a parent who is African by birth or nationality.

The prize was launched in 2000 to encourage and highlight the richness and diversity of African writing by bringing it to a wider audience internationally.

Only fictional work is eligible. Indicative length is between 3000 and 10,000 words and only short stories are eligible. Works not eligible for entry include stories for children, factual writing, plays, biography, works shorter than 3000 words and unpublished works.

Submissions should be made by publishers only.

**There is no entry fee.**

Eligibility

Open worldwide to African writers.

Prize

There is a cash prize of **10,000 GBP** (*approx. 13,035 USD*) for the winning author and a travel award for each of the short-listed candidates (up to five in all). The shortlisted candidates will also receive a Prize of **500 GBP**.

The winner is also invited to go to three literature festivals in Kenya, South Africa and Nigeria.

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