

FORCES Literary Journal 2025

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS: Accepting submissions until deadline of October 8th

FORCES is an annual publication sponsored by the division of Academic Affairs and Workforce of Collin College. *FORCES* welcomes all contributions of poetry, fiction, photography (black and white, or color), and visual art from members of the Collin College community.

Poetry: Literary and experimental, well-constructed, polished submissions are encouraged and should not exceed fifty lines. Send one to three poems. Each poem should be submitted individually, not as a bundle. Poetry should be single-spaced unless in “concrete” style. Proems (prose-poems) are also accepted.

Short Fiction: Literary and experimental, well-constructed, polished submissions are encouraged with a 750 word maximum. Dramatic monologues will also be considered. Pay special attention to a developed plot and fresh, concrete language. Short fiction should be double-spaced. Send one story only.

Visual Art: We will consider original works which can be represented effectively in black and white or full color context and transfer into print effectively. Ceramic, sculpture, as well as paintings and multimedia pieces. Remember to include titles of works. Photos or digital images of the works transferred and submitted to the Digital Commons page will be considered. Each should be submitted individually not as a bundle. Limit three submissions per person.

Photography: Digital or analog, Color or black and white. All commercial, fine art, or alternative/historical processes accepted. All entries must be in digital format to submit. Limit three submissions per person.

Essays: Personal and literary essays, general interest, personal opinion, criticism, new journalism, or general interest are accepted. Double-space with appropriate word count (1,500 words maximum). One essay per person.

NOTE: Individuals may submit in more than one category.

GENERAL INFORMATION · **ONLINE SUBMISSION IS NOW MANDATORY**

<https://digitalcommons.collin.edu/cgi/submit.cgi?context=forces>

Please submit: Collin College Homepage, Libraries, Digital Commons, Collections, Forces, Submit

- No e-mail submissions will be accepted. · No hand-written submissions will be considered.
- Check with syarbrough@collin.edu if you are unsure of the proper submission procedure for common publication.

· Send submissions before OCTOBER 8th, 2024

Sooner is better than later for full consideration of your work and good practice in general

· PRINTING AND RECEPTION WILL BE IN SPRING OF 2025

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