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Three Bags Full/Knck-on Effect Short Story Competition (for charities working with those affected by cancer)	http://www.threebagsfullwoolshop.blogspot.com.au/2012/03/short-story-comp-now-open-for-entries.html	Open but must include the phrase 'knock-on effect.'	50 to 1,000	14th May 2012		1/2 entry fees to a maximum of \$100		
Chicken Soup for the Soul - Think Poisitive for Kids	http://www.chickensoup.com/form.asp?cid=possible_books	Thnk Positive for Kids	300 - 1,200	15th May 2012	to 4 years	\$200 and ten books		Chicken Soup for the Soul
Writer's Forum Monthly Short Story Contest	http://www.writers-forum.com/storycomp.html	Open	1,000 to 3,000	15th May 2012		£300/ £150 / £100	Yes	
The Abstract Quill Short Story Competition	http://theabstractquill.com/?page_id=13	Open but prefer speculative, science fiction and literary	500 to 5,000	15th May 2012		\$100 / \$25		The Abstract Quill
Writing Magazine Horror Short Story Competition	https://www.writers-online.co.uk/Writing-Competitions/enter/Horror_short_story_competition/	Horror	1,500 to 1,700	15th May 2012		£200/ £50		
Peter Cowan 600 Short Story 2012	http://pcwc.org.au/index.php?news&nid=57	Open	to 600	18th May 2012		\$200 / \$100 / \$50		
Time to Write Short Story Competition	http://www.nmit.edu.au/courseblog/bwap/time-to-write-writing-competitions-for-teens-and-adults-2012/	Time	600 to 1,000	18th May 2012		Publication Only		Anthology
The KSP Speculative Fiction Award 2012	http://www.kspf.iinet.net.au/activities.html#competitions	Speculative	1500 to 3,500	25th May 2012		\$600 / \$300 / \$175		
The Bridport Prize - Short Stories	http://www.bridportprize.org.uk/	Open	to 5,000	31st May 2012	14th October 2012	£5,000/ £1,000 / £500 and 10 x £50		The Bridport Prize 2012 anthology
The Bridport Prize - Flash Fiction	http://www.bridportprize.org.uk/	Open	to 250	31st May 2012	14th October 2012	£1,000/ £500 / £250 and 10 x £25		The Bridport Prize 2012 anthology
Global Short Story Competition	http://www.globalshortstories.net/rules.html	Open	to 2,000	31st May 2012		£100		1st & 2nd showcased on website
A Very Short Story Writing Competition	http://averyshortstory.co.uk/default.aspx	Open	to 1,000	31st May 2012		£50		On the website

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WOW! Spring 2012 Flash Fiction Contest	http://www.wow-womenonwriting.com/contest.php	Open	to 750	31st May 2012		\$350 / \$250 / \$150	Yes	
Five Stop Story 2012 Monthly Short Story Competition	http://www.fivestopstory.com/write/	Open	to 3,000	31st May 2012		£50 (& £150 for best 2012)		Website and on app for iPhone and iPad
Frome Festival Short Story Competition	http://www.fromefestival.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2011/02/flyer-for-comp-2012.pdf	Open	1,000 to 2,200	31st May 2012		£300 / £150/ £75	Yes	
ABR Elizabeth Jolley Short Story Prize	https://www.australianbookreview.com.au/prizes/elizabeth-jolley-story-prize	Open	2,000 to 5,000	31st May 2012	1/09/2011	\$5,000 / \$2,000 / \$1,000		ABR Fiction Review
2012 Spilling Ink Short Story Prize	http://spillinginkreview.com/competitions/2012-spilling-ink-literary-competitions/2012-spilling-ink-short-story-prize/	Open	to 1,500	31st May 2012		£500/ £250 / £125		Anthology
The AHWA Short Story Competition 2012	http://www.australianhorror.com/index.php?view=57	Horror	1,000 to 8,000	31st May 2012		Paid publication in Midnight Echo		Midnight Echo
The AHWA Flash Fiction Competition 2012	http://www.australianhorror.com/index.php?view=57	Horror	to 1,000	31st May 2012		Paid publication in Midnight Echo		Midnight Echo
Storyfeedback.com Short Story Competition	http://www.storyfeedback.com/	Open	to 5,000	31st May 2012		£100/ £50 / £25		
Stringybark Flash Fiction Award 2012	http://www.stringybarkstories.net/The_Stringybark_Short_Story_Award/Future_Competitions.html	Open	to 1,000	May/June 2012				
The '2102' Country Story Competition	http://www.parkpublications.co.uk/writingcompetition.htm	Rural theme or setting	to 2,000	1st June 2012		£75/ £25 / £15		
The Tiferet Short Story Competition	http://tiferetjournal.com/2011/12/26/2012-writing-contest-2/	That expresses spiritual sentiment or promotes tolerance	Up to 20 pages	1st June 2012		\$400		
The Lyndall Hadow/Donald Stuart Short Story Competition 2012	http://fawwa.org.au/?p=458	Open	to 3,000	1st June 2012		\$400 / \$100 / \$50 / \$50		
The Seven Deadly Sins Springybark Award 2012	http://www.stringybarkstories.net/The_Stringybark_Short_Story_Award/Future_Competitions.html	lust, glutton, greed, sloth, wrath, envy or pride	to 1,500	10th June 2012				

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Writer's Forum Monthly Short Story Contest	http://www.writers-forum.com/storycomp.html	Open	1,000 to 3,000	15th Jun 2012		£300/ £150 / £100	Yes	
CheerReader Short Story Competition	http://www.cheerreader.co.uk/competition-overview.html	Open (As long as it's funny)	to 1,500	15th Jun 2012	2 weeks after closing date	€100		On the website
Writing Magazine Crime Short Story Competition	https://www.writers-online.co.uk/Writing-Competitions/enter/Crime_short_story_competition/	Crime	1,500 to 1,700	15th June 2012		£200/ £50		
Lightship Short Story Competition	http://www.lightshipublishing.co.uk/competition/lightship_short_story_competition	Open	to 5,000	30th Jun 2012		£1,000		
Lightship Flash Fiction Competition	http://www.lightshipublishing.co.uk/competition/lightship_flash_fiction_competition	Open	to 600	30th June 2012	8th Sept 2012	£500		
Flash500	http://www.flash500.com/index_files/flash500_rules.htm	Open	to 500	30th Jun 2012		£250/ £100 / £50	Yes	On the website
Literal Latte Short Shorts Contest	http://www.literal-latte.com/contests/#fiction_awards	Open	to 2,000	30th June 2012		\$500		
A Very Short Story Writing Competition	http://averyshortstory.co.uk/default.aspx	Open	to 1,000	30th June 2012		£50		On the website
Global Short Story Competition	http://www.globalshortstories.net/rules.html	Open	to 2,000	30th June 2012		£100		1st & 2nd showcased on website
Glimmer Train Fiction Open Award	http://www.glimmertrain.com/fictionopen.html	Open	2,000 to 20,000	30th June 2012	31st Aug 2012	\$2,000 / \$1,000 / \$600		Glimmer Train
Five Stop Story 2012 Monthly Short Story Competition	http://www.fivestopstory.com/write/	Open	to 3,000	30th June 2012		£50 (& £150 for best 2012)		Website and on app for iPhone and iPad
Page Seventeen Short Story Competition	http://www.pageseventeen.com.au/submit.html	Open	to 3,000	30th June 2012		\$200 / \$100		Issue of Page Seventeen

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Elyne Mitchell Rural Women's Writing Award	http://www.elynemitchell.com/2011-competition/	Leaping into the future	to 2,500	30th June 2012		\$1,000		
2012 Unbound Press Flash Fiction Award	http://unboundpress.com/competitions/2012-unbound-press-flash-fiction-award/	Open	to 500	30th June 2012	31st July 2012	£500/ £250 / £125		Anthology
The Ifanca Hélène James Short Story Competition	http://ifancahelenejames.wordpress.com/competition-rules/	Open	to 2,200	1st July 2012		£100/ £50 / £100 and £25		
Writer's Forum Monthly Short Story Contest	http://www.writers-forum.com/storycomp.html	Open	1,000 to 3,000	15th Jul 2012		£300/ £150 / £100	Yes	
Global Writers Free Flash Fiction Competition	http://www.globalwriters.net/	An obvious specific genre of your choice	to 150	25th July 2012		£50		
Glimmer Train Very Short Fiction Award	http://www.glimmertrain.com/vershorficaw1.html	Open	to 3,000	31st Jul 2012	30th Sept 2012	\$1,500 / \$500 / \$300		Glimmer Train
Cwrtnwydd Scribblers' Short Story Competition	http://cwrtnwyddsribblers.webs.com/shortstorycompetition.htm	Open	to 1,500	31st Jul 2012		£40/ £20 / £10		
Global Short Story Competition	http://www.globalshortstories.net/rules.html	Open	to 2,000	31st Jul 2012		£100		1st & 2nd showcased on website
A Very Short Story Writing Competition	http://averyshortstory.co.uk/default.aspx	Open	to 1,000	31st Jul 2012		£50		On the website
Five Stop Story 2012 Monthly Short Story Competition	http://www.fivestopstory.com/write/	Open	to 3,000	31st Jul 2012		£50 (& £150 for best 2012)		Website and on app for iPhone and iPad
2012 Spilling Ink Speculative Fiction prize	http://spillinginkreview.com/competitions/2012-spilling-ink-literary-competitions/2012-spilling-ink-speculative-fiction-prize/	Speculative	to 2,200	31st Jul 2012		£500/ £250 / £125		Anthology
Society of Women Writers Qld Short Story Competition	http://www.writingwa.org/articles/SWW-QLD	Open	to 1,500	31st Jul 2012		\$250 / \$100 / \$50		
Stringybark Humorous Fiction Award 2012	http://www.stringybarkstories.net/The_Stringybark_Short_Story_Award/Future_Competitions.html	Humour	to 1,500	Jul/Aug 2012				

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Writer's Forum Monthly Short Story Contest	http://www.writers-forum.com/storycomp.html	Open	1,000 to 3,000	15th Aug 2012		£300/ £150 / £100	Yes	
2012 Boroondara Literary Awards	http://www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/libraries/booroondara-literary-awards	Open		24th Aug 2012				
WOW! Summer 2012 Flash Fiction Contest	http://www.wow-womenonwriting.com/contest.php	Open	to 750	31st Aug 2012		\$350 / \$250 / \$150	Yes	
Global Short Story Competition	http://www.globalshortstories.net/rules.html	Open	to 2,000	31st Aug 2012		£100		1st & 2nd showcased on website
A Very Short Story Writing Competition	http://averyshortstory.co.uk/default.aspx	Open	to 1,000	31st Aug 2012		£50		On the website
Five Stop Story 2012 Monthly Short Story Competition	http://www.fivestopstory.com/write/	Open	to 3,000	31st Aug 2012		£50 (& £150 for best 2012)		Website and on app for iPhone and iPad
Aesthetica creative Works Competition	http://www.aestheticamagazine.com/submission_guide.htm	Open	to 2,000	31st Aug 2012		£500		Aesthetica Creative Awriting Annual
Henry Handel Richardson Centenary Writing Competition	http://www.henryhandelrichardsonsociety.org.au/writing_competition.html	Some link to Henry Handel Richardson and/or her work	to 5,000	31st Aug 2012		\$1,000		
Bill Naughton Short Story Competition	http://www.aghamoreireland.com/kennynaughton/shortstory.htm	Open	to 2,500	7th Sept 2012		€200 / €130 / €65		Anthology
Writer's Forum Monthly Short Story Contest	http://www.writers-forum.com/storycomp.html	Open	1,000 to 3,000	15th Sep 2012		£300/ £150 / £100	Yes	
CheerReader Short Story Competition	http://www.cheerreader.co.uk/competition-overview.html	Open (As long as it's funny)	to 1,500	15th Sep 2012	2 weeks after closing date	€100		On the website
The Glass Woman Prize	http://www.sigriddaughter.com/GlassWomanPrize.htm	Women only - see website for other restrictions	to 5,000	21st Sept 2012		\$500 / \$50 / \$50		
KSP Short Fiction Award	http://www.kspf.iinet.net.au/activities.html#competitions	Open	1,000 to 3,000	21st Sept 2012		\$600 / \$300 / \$175		

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FAWNS Super Short Story Competition 2012 - Category A	http://sites.google.com/site/fawnorthshoreregional/competitions-1	Open	to 700	30th Sep 2012	9th Nov 2012	\$200 / \$100		
FAWNS Super Short Story Competition 2012 - Category B	http://sites.google.com/site/fawnorthshoreregional/competitions-1	Memoir	to 700	30th Sep 2012	9th Nov 2012	\$200 / \$100		
Glimmer Train Fiction Open Award	http://www.glimmertrain.com/fictionopen.html	Open	2,000 to 20,000	30th Sep 2012	30th Nov 2102	\$2,000 / \$1,000 / \$600		Glimmer Train
Carpe Articulum Literary Review Short Fiction Award	http://www.carpearticulum.com/submissions/	Open	to 25 pages double spaced	30th Sep 2012		\$1,250 / \$300 / \$200		
Flash500	http://www.flash500.com/index_files/flash500rules.htm	Open	to 500	30th Sept 2012		£250/ £100 / £50	Yes	On the website
Global Short Story Competition	http://www.globalshortstories.net/rules.html	Open	to 2,000	30th Sept 2012		£100		1st & 2nd showcased on website
The Yellow Room Autumn Short Story Competition - Short Stories	http://www.theyellowroom-magazine.co.uk/www.theyellowroom-magazine.co.uk/Competitions.html	Open	to 1,500	30th Sept 2012		£100/ £50 / £25		The Yellow Room Magazine
The Yellow Room Autumn Short Story Competition - Flash Fiction	http://www.theyellowroom-magazine.co.uk/www.theyellowroom-magazine.co.uk/Competitions.html	Open	to 300	30th Sept 2012		£50/ £25 / £15		The Yellow Room Magazine
A Very Short Story Writing Competition	http://averyshortstory.co.uk/default.aspx	Open	to 1,000	30th Sept 2012		£50		On the website
Five Stop Story 2012 Monthly Short Story Competition	http://www.fivestopstory.com/write/	Open	to 3,000	30th Sept 2012		£50 (& £150 for best 2012)		Website and on app for iPhone and iPad
Stringybark Erotic Fiction Award	http://www.stringybarkstories.net/The_Stringybark_Short_Story_Award/Future_Competitions.html	Erotica	to 2,000	Sep/Oct 2012				
Writer's Forum Monthly Short Story Contest	http://www.writers-forum.com/storycomp.html	Open	1,000 to 3,000	15th Oct 2012		£300/ £150 / £100	Yes	
Global Short Story Competition	http://www.globalshortstories.net/rules.html	Open	to 2,000	31st Oct 2012		£100		1st & 2nd showcased on website

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Writer's Forum Monthly Short Story Contest	http://www.writers-forum.com/storycomp.html	Open	1,000 to 3,000	15th Nov 2012		£300/ £150 / £100	Yes	
A Very Short Story Writing Competition	http://averyshortstory.co.uk/default.aspx	Open	to 1,000	30th Nov 2012		£50		On the website
Global Short Story Competition	http://www.globalshortstories.net/rules.html	Open	to 2,000	30th Nov 2012		£100		1st & 2nd showcased on website
Peirene Short Story Competition	http://www.peirenepress.com/competition	Open	900	30th Nov 2012				
Five Stop Story 2012 Monthly Short Story Competition	http://www.fivestopstory.com/write/	Open	to 3,000	30th Nov 2012		£50 (& £150 for best 2012)		Website and on app for iPhone and iPad
Writer's Forum Monthly Short Story Contest	http://www.writers-forum.com/storycomp.html	Open	1,000 to 3,000	15th Dec 2012		£300/ £150 / £100	Yes	
CheerReader Short Story Competition	http://www.cheerreader.co.uk/competition-overview.html	Open (As long as it's funny)	to 1,500	15th Dec 2012	2 weeks after closing date	€100		On the website
A Very Short Story Writing Competition	http://averyshortstory.co.uk/default.aspx	Open	to 1,000	31st Dec 2012		£50		On the website
Global Short Story Competition	http://www.globalshortstories.net/rules.html	Open	to 2,000	31st Dec 2012		£100		1st & 2nd showcased on website
Five Stop Story 2012 Monthly Short Story Competition	http://www.fivestopstory.com/write/	Open	to 3,000	31st Dec 2012		£50 (& £150 for best 2012)		Website and on app for iPhone and iPad