



*The Wits Centre for Diversity Studies (WiCDS)*  
*Presents the*  
**ANNUAL WRITING COMPETITION**  
*For Up and Coming Young Writers*

ARE YOU AN INSPIRING WRITER?

DO YOU WANT TO SHOWCASE YOUR WORK WITH OTHERS?

If you answered yes to these questions, then why not enter the WiCDS's 2018 writing competition! We are looking for creative writing pieces (e.g. essays, poems, short stories or short plays) on the theme of freedom & hope. The competition is open to all high school learners in grades 9 to 12. Prizes will be given for the best writing pieces and winners will be invited to share their writing at the upcoming WiCDS conference, which will take place on 6,7 & 8 August 2018, at the University of the Witwatersrand!

**THEME: FREEDOM & HOPE**

In your own words, we want you to write about what freedom and hope mean to you. To help you prepare your writing, you might want to consider the following questions:

- What does freedom or hope look like to you, your family or community?
- How can that freedom be achieved collectively?
- On the road to freedom, what challenges could make the community to lose hope?
- Is there hope for realizing the freedom you desire and what gives you courage to hold on to tomorrow?

**SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Written in or translated into English.
- Audio recordings are welcome.
- A maximum of 3 A4 pages & the title must be written clearly.
- Before submitting your entry, please make sure you include your name, your school Grade (e.g. 9 to 12), name of the school you attend, your contact details, & parents/guardians telephone number on the 1<sup>st</sup> page.

