



THE STATEMENT OF the XX-th International Contest of Children's Handwritten Book

Culture and Art Committee of the Murmansk Region, the Murmansk State Regional Children and Youth's Library, the Ministry of Education and Science of the Murmansk Region, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Murmansk Region, the Representative for the Children's Rights in the Murmansk Region, the Committee on Cooperation with Public Organization and Youth Affairs of the Murmansk Region, the Regional Center of Indigenous Smaller Peoples of the North, the Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall, the Murmansk Administration, the Administration of the Tersky District, ZATO Aleksandrovsk, the nonprofit organization «Fund for Realization of the Municipal Social Programs» in Murmansk, the Murmansk Regional Publishing House; OOO "Mobile Telesystems", the Murmansk branch; the Regional Council of Russian Association of Environmental Protection, the Murmansk regional public organization "The Forestry Specialists Society", the Murmansk regional public organization "The Russian Writers' Union"; the Murmansk Metropolia of the Russian Orthodox Church of the Moscow Patriarchate; the Murmansk Regional Council of the Trade Unions, the Saint-Petersburg state-financed organization of culture "Central Library System of Kalininsky District"; OOO "The First Privatization Fund "Life Insurance"; Private institution of informative leisure-time "Big Break"; the Murmansk regional department of the All-Russian organization "National Parents Association for Social Support of the Family and the Protection of Family Values", the Murmansk Regional Department of Public Fund of Homeless Animals Support "Look for the Master", Murmansk Language School, the Royal Norwegian Consulate General in Murmansk; the Murmansk department of the General Consulate of Finland in Saint-Petersburg; the Royal Swedish Consulate General in Saint-Petersburg; The Norwegian Barents Secretariat, the Murmansk office; the Goethe-Institute in Saint-Petersburg by support of the Governor of the Murmansk region **announce for the XX-th International Contest of Children's Handwritten Book.**

1. Organization and conditions

- 1.1 The contest starts on **the 24-th of November 2016** in the Murmansk Regional Children and Youth's library.
- 1.2 Preschoolers (strictly from 5 years old), pupils and students (up to 21 years), families, creative associations, study groups, studios, libraries, authors' collectives and collectives of authors, children's creativity centers, children's art schools, children's schools of art and other children's organizations all over the territories of the Barents region and the other countries can participate in the contest.
- 1.3 The contest is presented by: poems, stories, fairy-tales, essays, travelers' notes with real or fantastic plot, legends, tales, and stories about the life of your family, your relatives, close and distant ancestors.
- 1.4 The following nominations appear in the competition:
 - My mast city;
 - What Russian children know about Finland: its history, culture, favourite writers (to the 100th anniversary of the state independence of Finland);
 - My strong little nation (native people of the Kola Peninsula);

- Let's become friends of nature (about taking good care of nature)

- 1.5 The working group formed of the founders of the contest solves the problems of organizing and carrying out of the contest.
- 1.6 A competitive book should have no more than A3 size and should include a cover, a title page, the content, the general information about the author and illustrator (surname, name, age, school, grade, the place of living, country and the contact telephone number). It should be safe for reading.

2. Summing up

- 2.1 Materials will be accepted by children's libraries from cities, towns and districts and will be passed to the Scientific and Methodic Department of the Murmansk Regional Children and Youth's library until **the 31th of August 2017 after they have been looked through and selected at the local level.**
- 2.2 Professional skills, originality, the quality of design are appreciated by the jury which consists of the representatives of the organizers.
- 2.3 Summing up results of the contest will take place in Murmansk on **the 23rd of November 2017 at the Young Writers' Festival** at the Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall.
- 2.4 Only winners of the contest in different nominations and their supporters are invited to the festival.
- 2.5 The Statement of the Contest and the Invitation to the Final Festival in Murmansk are the ground for sending participants to the Festival in Murmansk.
- 2.6 The sending side covers participants' journey to Murmansk for the Final Festival and other expenses.
- 2.7 The competitive books are passed to the Museum of Children's Handwritten Book, which is based in the Murmansk Regional Children and Youth's library, with the granting of rights to use the competitive book for noncommercial purposes.

3. Awarding

- 3.1 The winners are awarded by:
 - The Grand –Prize of Murmansk Region Governor;
 - Prize «The Small Triumph»;
 - Audience Choice Award;
 - Diplomas and prizes from the prize fund of each founder
- 3.2 Participants are awarded with letters of thanks.
- 3.3 Other participants' awarding will take place in the Central children's libraries of the cities **after the Young Writers' Festival.**

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