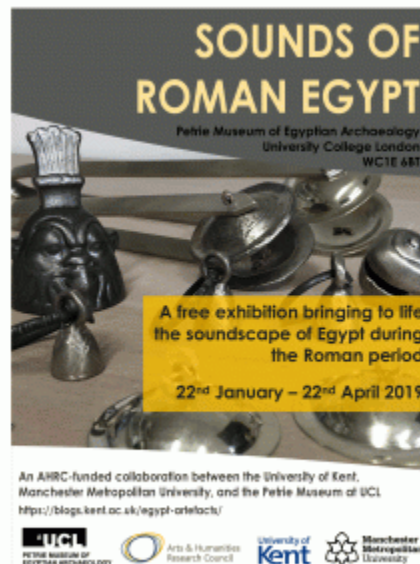


# Short Story competition 2019

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We're thrilled to launch the short story competition for UK schools and colleges (Years 7 to 13). Our competition this year has been shaped by the exciting research being undertaken in the "[Roman and Late Antique Artefacts from Egypt](#)" project. The project brings artefacts from the past back to life – and we're inviting you to do the same through the power of your story telling. Entrants are invited to write a short story inspired by one of the artefacts featured on the project's [blog](#).



Why not get further inspiration by going to see the project's free exhibition '[Sounds of Roman Egypt](#)' at the Petrie Museum, London? (opens 22nd January 2019).

**Prizes** up for grabs are: 1st Prize £100, 2nd Prize £50, Two runners-up £25

## Advice for entrants

- 1) **Explore** the project's [blog](#) and decide on an artefact as the inspiration for your story.
- 2) **Watch** these animations '[A Glimpse of Teenage Life in Ancient Rome](#)' '[Four Sisters in Ancient Rome](#)' and '[A Day in the Life of a Roman Client](#)' to get ideas about how research about the Roman world can be packed into a short story.
- 3) **Think** about who, what, where, when, and why for your chosen artefact (what was life like in the time and place that it was from?). You should also make your story about it as vivid as possible by thinking about how the senses (touch, smell, sight, taste and sounds) affected interactions with it.

## Rules

- 1) An entry form must be completed – click to download one: [Story-competition-2019-form](#).
- 2) Length – no more than 1000 words.
- 3) Subject matter – a story about one of the artefacts in the Roman and Late Antique Artefacts from Egypt: <https://blogs.kent.ac.uk/egypt-artefacts/>
- 4) The text of the script needs to be double-spaced and in a font larger than Arial 11.
- 5) The text of the script must be written in English.
- 6) Entrants need to be attending a school/college in the United Kingdom – Years 7 to 13. Students in Higher Education (i.e. Universities) may not enter the competition.
- 7) Submission must be made by email to [classicsscripts@kent.ac.uk](mailto:classicsscripts@kent.ac.uk) on a completed entry form that has been signed by a member of staff at your school or college.
- 8) All scripts must be received by 6pm on 5 April 2019.

### **Judging Process**

The prize-winning scripts will be judged in relation to their accuracy, originality and vividness by University of Kent staff from the Department of Classical and Archaeological Studies.

Queries may be sent to [classicsscripts@kent.ac.uk](mailto:classicsscripts@kent.ac.uk)

Good luck!

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