



## **Essay and Art Contest**

What Does "Community" on South Whidbey Mean to You?

Brittanica Dictionary defines community as "a group of people who live in the same area (such as a city, town, or neighborhood)." But on South Whidbey, we know community means so much more!



## ENTER OUR CONTEST!

Please enter in <u>one</u> of two categories:

1. In an essay or poem, tell us what "community" means to you; OR

2. Create a piece of original artwork\* on what "community" looks like to you.

The top three winners in each category will receive a **Goose Community Grocer gift card**:

1<sup>st</sup> place: \$500 2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$250 3<sup>rd</sup> place: \$100

NOTE: You do not have to be a professional writer or artist! Entries will be judged on message, creativity, originality, and spirit.

Winners will be announced at the <u>Goose's Customer Appreciation Event on Saturday</u>, <u>September 13<sup>th</sup> at the Goose Community Grocer</u>. All entries are due Friday, August 29.

## Contest Rules—Please Read Carefully:

- Open to ALL ages!
- A panel of judges will decide the winners in each category.
- All work submitted must be original and in response to this contest.
- Staff of the Goose Grocer or Goosefoot Community Fund are not allowed to enter.
- All artists will be asked to sign an artist waiver absolving Goosefoot, the Goose Grocer, and their employees from responsibility for damaged or stolen artwork.

- By submitting your work to this contest, all entries will be made available to Goosefoot and the Goose Grocer to reproduce in printed materials and on social media.
- Essays & Poetry:
  - Entries must be received on or by <u>Friday</u>, August 29.
  - Essays/Poems must be <u>300 words or less</u>.
  - Put your name, email, and phone number at the end of the essay so they can be easily submitted anonymously to the judges.
  - Email your entries to info@goosefoot.org, with the subject line: Community Essay Contest, and attach your essay or poem as an attachment. We cannot accept entries that are written in the body of an email.
  - You can also submit entries via snail mail to Goosefoot, Attn: Essay Contest, PO Box 114, Langley, WA 98260.
  - If handwritten, your entry must be completely legible and easy to read.
- Art Work:
  - Entries must be delivered to the Goosefoot office during the week of Monday, August 25 through Friday, August 29, between the hours of 10 am and 6 pm. Our office is located at the Sears House, 2812 Meinhold Road, Langley, right across the street from Bayview Hall.
  - \*We can only accept two-dimensional pieces for the contest such as paintings, prints, photographs, collages. Unfortunately, we cannot accept sculpture, ceramics, or fabric art.

For our essay writers, below is what 300 words looks like on a page. FYI, longer essays will be disqualified so please keep track of your word count!

## The 300-Word Essay

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