

# Daniil Pashkoff Prize

## Daniil Pashkoff Prize 2016 Creative Writing Competition in English For Non-Native Speakers

**Daniil Pashkoff** was the first Russian student of English Literature at the TU Braunschweig and the Prize was founded in 2001 in his memory.

Fifteen years later it is as well loved as it is international. Entries for the 11th award are welcome now.

**And you are invited to take part.**

As usual there are prizes for prose and poetry. And this year, for the first time, there is a special prize (*name to be announced... it's a secret*) for a sonnet.

There are **cash prizes, travel prizes, language prizes** but best of all, what every writer wants **publication**. Not just for the winners, but for up to 50 runners-up too.

All you need is

**Creativity** (you know you've got that); **Courage** (well, you're a writer aren't you? or might be?); and a **Calendar** (there's a deadline, of course)

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"Some writers have a bunch of talent; I don't know any writers who are without it. But a unique and exact way of looking at things, and finding the right context for expressing that way of looking, that's something else... It's possible, in a poem or a short story, to write about commonplace things and objects using commonplace but precise language, and endow those things – a chair, a window curtain, a fork, a stone, a woman's earring – with immense, even startling power."

*Raymond Carver*

"I can't think of a case where poems changed the world, but what they do is they change people's understanding of what's going on in the world."

*Seamus Heaney*

"... Make your art. Do the stuff that only you can do... The urge, starting out, is to copy. And that's not a bad thing. Most of us only find our own voices after we've sounded like a lot of other people. But the one thing that you have that nobody else has is you. Your voice, your mind, your story, your vision. So write and draw and build and play and dance and live as only you can."

*Neil Gaiman*

"I try to pull the language in to such a sharpness that it jumps off the page. It must look easy, but it takes me forever to get it to look so easy."

*Maya Angelou*





## Writers Ink. e.V.

is an association of like-minded people living in and around Braunschweig, who enjoy writing creative texts in English.

Our group consists of non-native as well as native speakers. We meet regularly – and the interchange of ideas and criticism is a very productive process.

Over the last few years we have organized the **Daniil Pashkoff Prize**, which has met with resounding success, including over 700 entries for the last two competitions. Thanks to our sponsorship via Diesterweg/Westermann and the City of Braunschweig, to mention only a few, we have been able to publish not only prize-winners but also many other budding poets and writers.

For the DPP 2016 we are calling for new, creative and exciting texts.

We have two categories: **19- and 19+.**

And there are three areas in which you can participate: **poetry, prose and sonnet.**

Below you will find a brief outline of the prizes.

But if you are not chosen for a prize your text might still find its way into our final publication, which will appear in May 2016.

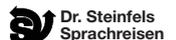
Further information about how to enter the competition is available on our website or via mail: [www.writers-ink.de](http://www.writers-ink.de) · [dpp16@gmx.de](mailto:dpp16@gmx.de)



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## Daniil Pashkoff Prize 2016

Writers Ink. e.V. will award prizes in two age groups: younger authors aged 19 or under, and authors aged over 19.

### Five categories

Poetry: 19–	Poetry: 19+	16-30 lines	1. € 200,- / 2. € 150,- / 3. € 100,-
Prose: 19–	Prose: 19+	1000-1400 words	1. € 200,- / 2. € 150,- / 3. € 100,-
Sonnet: open to all		14 lines	1. € 200,-

Deadline: 15 January 2016, 11.59 p.m.

Awards Ceremony: 20 May 2016 at 20.00 p.m.

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