

WELCOME TO THE 2014 EDITION OF NUHA'S BLOGGING PRIZES!

What is NUHA? The NUHA Foundation is an English charitable organisation (HMRC ref. no. XT21444) founded in 2008. Its mission is to foster effective learning communities by supporting existing structures. Other than the prize monies, NUHA has no operating expenditure. NUHA stands for 'Nurturing Human Activity'.

What are the Blogging Prizes? The Blogging Prizes are an international writing competition established as a platform to discuss and share about issues of education and development, while providing an opportunity for authors to be published and to develop their self-confidence.

While participants must be attentive to spelling and grammar, vocabulary and punctuation, the Jury's brief emphasises the quality of arguments and the originality of ideas. This is reflected in the [writing guidance](#) prepared this year in response to feedback from teachers; the guidance is based upon the [IGCSE](#) assessment standards.

The first edition took place in 2011 and the initiative has gained significant momentum in the past three years. Last year, [63 articles were published](#) across three age categories, by authors in 18 different countries; our website was viewed close to 50,000 times by some 18,000 visitors; and we have been privileged to be able to put forward talented Juries (click on the year for further information: [2011](#); [2012](#); and [2013](#)).

Initially in English, NUHA this year has added a Spanish language version of the competition.

The [Blogging Prizes](#) (in English) have three prizes on offer (with reserve runner-up prizes):

- [Young Writers](#), for those born between 2000 and 2004: £50 (about US\$ 85)
- [Youth](#), for those born between 1996 and 1999: £100 (about US\$ 170)
- [Adult](#), for those born before 1996: £150 (about US\$ 250)

For its first edition, [Competencia de Ensayos](#) (in Spanish) has two prizes on offer:

- [Youth](#), for those born between 1996 and 1999: £100 (about US\$ 170)
- [Adult](#), for those born before 1996: £150 (about US\$ 250)

The deadline for submitting entries is on Sunday 12 October 2014; there will then be a voting period and the selection of a shortlist, to be announced on 27 November 2014; the winners will be announced on 15 December 2014.

Our Editors are available for any further questions you may have:

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