

Friends of Chartres

Chichester's French Twinning Association

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A Tale of Two Cities



Cathedral of Our Lady of Chartres
Chichester



Cathedral of the Holy Trinity,

The Friends of Chartres are pleased to announce a short story and poetry challenge to commemorate 60 years of twinning with our sister city, Chartres. The challenge will be open to Key Stage 2 pupils in schools in Chichester and the surrounding area, and also to children attending primary schools in Chartres. It will provide an excellent opportunity for children to learn about our twin city and will at the same time open their eyes to French culture.

Theme

The theme this year will focus on a **diamond**, to reflect 60 years of twinning. Entries should also include a **quest** and reference to the cities of **Chichester** and **Chartres**.

How to enter

Entrants must write a fictional short story or poem no longer than 500 words. One poem or one story per person is permitted and the story or poem must be wholly written by the entrant. Stories will be judged on the following criteria: originality, plot, characterisation, enjoyment. Poems will be judged for originality, sense of rhythm, rhyme, interest and enjoyment.

Schools will be asked to make a preliminary selection of entries from their pupils. These should be sent to the Friends of Chartres by **Friday May 22, 2020** for the final judging. Each entrant will receive a certificate. Prizes for winning entries and their schools will be Waterstone's vouchers. These will be awarded at a prizegiving ceremony in June

Creative Writing Workshop

Schools interested in participating in the challenge are invited to book places for a creative writing workshop for teachers, which will be facilitated by local author and playwright Greg Mosse. The workshop, which is free of charge, will be held at The Guide Hall, Whyke Lane on **Wednesday January 29** from **7.30** to **9.30** pm.