The 2016 International Bowling Media Association writing competition is limited to ***IBMA members.***  The writing awards committee will determine the eligibility of each entry and send the entries to the panel of judges*.*  The judging panel will include an accredited writing/journalism professor who is not connected to the bowling industry. Winners will be notified and invited to the awards ceremony held during the USBC Convention in Las Vegas, April 24-27, 2017.

**RULES:**

1. Entry deadline for the IBMA Writing Competition is **March 1, 2017**.
2. Entries must have been published or broadcast between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2016. All entry forms and copy materials must be submitted by email and received no later than March 15, 2016.
3. There are four print categories for judging: **News; Feature; Editorial; and Newsletter** (including online newsletters).Entries must include both of the following:
4. PDF or photocopies from the respective print publication, website or other originally published media
5. Non-bylined copies of articles in WORD for judging purposes.
6. Entry guidelines for the three published categories are as follows:
7. **NEWS**: A news story or coverage of an event about bowling
8. **FEATURE**: A non-fiction story about a person, place or bowling event.
9. **EDITORIAL**: Any opinion expressed in the media concerning a bowling related subject.
10. **NEWSLETTER:** Any Non-Professional Newsletter published by an individual, association or other bowling organization.
11. In the News, Feature and Editorial Category, there will be two levels of competition, Professional and Non-Professional. All Newsletters entries are for Non-Professional members only. *NOTE: The Judges will review all submissions in the Non-Professional category to determine eligibility.*
12. Certificates will be awarded to the top three articles in each division. Additionally, first place stories in each category will be posted on the official IBMA Web site, [www.bowlingmedia.org](http://www.bowlingmedia.org).
13. Entries are limited to **two** per author in each division.

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**NOTE: a separate entry form must be filled out for each entry submitted**

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**FEATURE STORY PROFESSIONAL NON-PROFESSIONAL**

**EDITORIAL PROFESSIONAL NON-PROFESSIONAL**

**NEWSLETTER NON-PROFESSIONAL**

**NAME OF PUBLICATION**

**DATE OF PUBLICATION \_\_\_ TITLE OF ARTICLE**

**DO NOT SUBMIT ENTRIES TO IBMA OFFICE**

**Submit your completed form, copy of original article and the non-bylined WORD doc to**

**Jackie Wyckoff, IBMA Operations Manager, at** [**jwyckoff@bowlingwriters.com**](mailto:jwyckoff@bowlingwriters.com)

**Please use WRITING COMPETITION in the subject line**

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