



2023 Writing Competition

The 2023 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 receive their awards in early July, 2024 at the IBMA Booth at Bowl Expo in Denver, CO. Awards not picked up at Bowl Expo will be shipped to winners.

RULES:

1. Entry deadline for the IBMA Writing Competition is **April 30, 2024**.
2. Entries must have been published or broadcast between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2023. All entry forms and copy materials must be submitted by email and received no later than April 30, 2024.
3. Entry guidelines for the three published categories are as follows:
 - a) **NEWS:** A news story or coverage of an event about bowling
 - b) **FEATURE:** A non-fiction story about a person, place or bowling event.
 - c) **EDITORIAL:** Any opinion expressed in the media concerning a bowling related subject.
 - d) **BUSINESS:** A news, feature or editorial strictly about the business of bowling.
4. The submitter is responsible to choose the correct category for each entry, News, Feature, Editorial or Business. The submitter will also declare if this was published in a major industry magazine or online forum (Category 1) or a regional, state, local or other online outlet (Category 2). The judges will have the final determination on which category each article will be eligible for.
5. Entries must include each of the following:
 - a) Completed Application Form
 - b) PDF or photocopies from the respective print publication, website or other originally published media
 - c) Non-bylined copies of articles in **WORD** for judging purposes.
6. Entries are limited to **two** per author in each division.

7. Send a separate email for each entry.

MEMBER NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> NEWS STORY | <input type="checkbox"/> CATEGORY 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> CATEGORY 2 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FEATURE STORY | <input type="checkbox"/> CATEGORY 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> CATEGORY 2 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EDITORIAL | <input type="checkbox"/> CATEGORY 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> CATEGORY 2 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS | <input type="checkbox"/> CATEGORY 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> CATEGORY 2 |

NAME OF PUBLICATION _____

DATE OF PUBLICATION _____ TITLE OF ARTICLE _____

Email your entry to IBMA Writing Competition at operations@bowlingmedia.org
Please send each entry in a separate email and use **WRITING COMPETITION** in the subject line.

For more information contact committee chairman,
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