



City of Gaithersburg and Gazette Newspapers  
19<sup>th</sup> Annual LITERARY ARTS CONTEST  
Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Deadline for Entry: Monday, December 7, 2009 4 PM

## MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Literary Arts Contest -Instructions

- ◆ Each entry should be 250 words or less
- ◆ Poetry or Essay form

**THEME: "Honoring Heritage; Inspiring Change"**

Entry will be judged on:

- *Understanding and appreciation of the ideals of MLK Jr.*
  - *Clarity and originality of expression.*
  - *Adherence to the theme.*
- ◆ Please send (3) three submissions only per school for contest entry to:  
Community Services, 31 S.Summit Ave., Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877
  - ◆ Please type the student's name, school, grade and teacher on a separate cover sheet
  - ◆ Send the total number of participants for your school. We will provide enough certificates for each participant to receive a certificate
  - ◆ The three top winners will be chosen by the City of Gaithersburg Multicultural Committee and will each receive a check from the Gazette Newspapers. They will read their work at the County Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration on January, 18, 2010