

RULES FOR CASA ÁFRICA'S

6<sup>TH</sup> FLASH FICTION

COMPETITION

## First. Participants

- 1. Any physical person who is over 18 years old will be able to take part in the competition and be of any nationality or resident in any country. They must under no circumstances have any working relationship with the Casa África Consortium or any family relationship with some of their workers
- 2. Up to a maximum of three short stories will be admitted per author

## Second. Subject

The subject is free to choose although the stories should have some type of link to Africa. The story can take place inside or outside the continent and its degree of connection with Africa can vary from just a detail to the whole part of it.

# Third. Conditions that the short stories should meet

- 1. Short stories should be original, unpublished and should not have won a prize or be pending a decision in other competitions or contests. The participants must guarantee that there are no rights from third parties on the short stories presented and they will be liable for any claims that may arise due to this point in specific
- 2. The stories can be presented in Spanish, English, French or Portuguese
- 3. Each short story must have a maximum length of 1,400 characters (not words), excluding the title, i.e., around 200 or 250 words approximately

# Fourth. Delivery of short stories and documentation

Short stories must be presented using the online form made available on the following website:
 www.casafrica.es. The participating authors must attach a photocopy of their National Identity Card,
 Passport or Residence permit in the last step of the form. These documents should be valid at least until

the date of the decision of the jury

- 2. The form referred to in the preceding paragraph will not allow any short story that contains more than 1,400 characters, including spaces
- 3. The contest will remain available from the 23<sup>rd</sup> April to the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 both included. Any short stories received after the deadline will not be accepted

## Fifth. Composition of the Jury

The jury will be comprised by different experts in African literatures, appointed by the Casa África Consortium. The composition of the jury will be announced after their decision is being published

#### Sixth. Jury's Decision

- Casa África will make public the decision of the awards on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018. The jury's decision will be published on Casa África's website (www.casafrica.es) and on the social networks Casa África is present on
- 2. The jury's decision is irrevocable; with Casa África having the right to declare the prize void if it considered it appropriate

#### Seventh. Prize

- 1. The first prize will consist in 600 euros. The payment of this prize is subject to the Spanish legislation applicable by the time the transaction is done, regardless of the taxes policy from the winning author's country of residence. After sending a receipt, invoice or bill to Casa Africa, the winner can receive the prize by transfer in their bank account or by any kind of payment service allowed by the Spanish legislation applicable by the time the transaction is done. In any case, taxes, withholdings or expenses which are in effect at the moment of the payment will be applied
- 2. The second prize will be 300 euros and is subject to the Spanish legislation as seen above
- 3. The third prize will be a gift voucher of the value of

- 150 euros sponsored by Librería Canaima for purchases on their online shop
- 4. Each prize winner in these three categories will receive a set of books belonging to Casa África's Literature Collection
- 5. The 50 best stories chosen by the Jury will form part of a digital publication that Casa África will publish. This digital edition will feature renowned writers, among them several leading African writers who have taken part in Casa África's Literature Collection and in Casa África's African Letters programme
- 6. The chosen authors provide their authorization and give in Casa África the necessary rights to create an electronic edition with the chosen short stories and spread them through Casa África's website and other platforms (international level) for the maximum period of time allowed by the Intellectual Property Law (approved by Royal Legislative Decree 1/1996 of April 12). These authors will not receive, for these and other concepts, any financial remuneration, except for the authors of the three winning short stories, who will receive the prizes set out in points 1, 2 and 3 from this Seventh Rule

## **Eighth - Acceptance of the Rules**

- In order to take part in this competition, participants must send the online form to register for the competition. By submitting to the Contest, the entrant agrees to know and abide by all Contest rules, along together with the final decisions taken by Casa África, which are irrevocable
- 2. The interpretation of these rules, as well as any other question related to the contest, will be competency of the jury

#### **Ninth - Data Protection**

- 1. In accordance with the to the established Organic Law 15/1999, 13th December about Protection of Personal Data, Casa África inform contestants and participants that they authorize that the personal data provided at the moment of the signing up, will be incorporated into a privately-owned file and will be used with the purpose of: allowing contestants to take part in the competition in accordance with the terms and conditions of the forenamed contest; allowing the administration and delivery of the prize in case of being awarded; following whatever fiscal obligations or about other nature should be applied in relation to the prize of the contest
- 2. Moreover, with the participation into the competition, at the moment of the signing up, contestants authorize Casa África to send letters, newsletters.

- and information about activities by Casa África through electronic platforms or by any other platform Casa África has access to
- 3. In addition, contestants authorize with the participation into the competition that, in case of being awarded, Casa África can made public their names, surnames and their photographs in Casa África's websites and social networks, or in any other media Casa África has access to, with an informative and divulgative character
- 4. Contestants will be responsible in any case about the veracity of the personal data provided for the competition and they are responsible of informing about any possible modification in the aforementioned data
- 5. Contestants can oppose to the administration of their data with the purpose of sending letters, newsletters and information about activities by Casa África, as well as for exercise the rights of access, rectification, cancellation and opposition of their personal data, by sending an email to the following email address info@casafrica.es, with the subject "Protection of Personal Data"

#### **Tenth - Notifications**

In accordance with the provisions of Articles 43.1 and 45.1.b) of Law 35/2015 on Common Administrative Procedure of Public Administrations, all decisions taken by Casa África as part of this competition, including the decision of the prizes, will be communicated to the interested parties by publishing them on the Consortium's website (www.casafrica.es), with this publication replacing any kind of individual notification to each person.

# Eleventh - Rights of exclusion

Casa África Consortium reserves the right to dismiss and exclude participants from the competition in the following cases:

- When they sign up with false data. For that purpose, participants may be requested to verify their data
- When they fraudulently or artificially manipulate their participation in the competition
- When the jury considers that the short stories do not fit in with the subject chosen; contain elements that could in any way be considered against fundamental rights and public freedom; induce, incite or promote criminal, slanderous, violent actions or are generally contrary to law or public order; when they are protected by any rights of intellectual property belonging to third parties, without the participant having previously

obtained the necessary authorisation from their owners; when they violate the right to honour, personal and family privacy or the image of individuals; when they may constitute advertising or when they incorporate elements that may damage the normal operation of the network, system or computer equipment

• When any of these rules are failed to be fulfilled in any way

## Twelfth - Exoneration of responsibility

Casa África Consortium is exonerated, and will not be liable regarding any breach from the participant in matters of intellectual, industrial property or of image, as well as any liability that could result in the breach of defective performance by the participants in the competition that relates to these Rules.





#### AFRICA AND SPAIN, EVER CLOSER

Casa África is a Spanish foreign policy instrument, dedicated to promoting relationships between Africa and Spain and improving mutual knowledge. For this purpose, Casa África encourages cooperation and long-lasting relationships through joint political, economic, cultural, academic and social activities and programs.