

KATHA National Writers' Workshop for Young Adults

2025



NEW

Introducing Fresh Category for 18-24

Your Words. Your India. Your World.

Are you a storyteller, poet, or changemaker?
Did life after school make you pause your writing?

Here's your chance to start again. Katha invites you to submit original work that speaks of "Your India, Your World" — with honesty, imagination, and courage.
If you love writing, this is your stage.

CATEGORIES	AGE	LANGUAGES	WORD LIMIT
Fiction, Non-fiction, Poetry	18-24	English or Hindi (Typed PDF)	1,000 words

***REGISTRATION FEE ₹1,000. (inclusive of workshops and jury review)**

HOW TO SUBMIT

- Visit utsav.katha.org
- Register. You will receive your login and password
- Make payment in your inbox
- Upload, Submit and make payment.
 - Word, PDF (Maximum file size: 5 MB)



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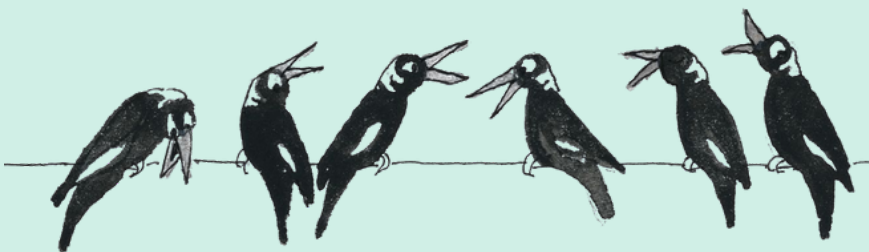
SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

- Fiction: A genre of literature that involves imaginary events and characters
- Non-Fiction: Prose writing based on facts, real events, and real people
- Poetry: A literary work in which feelings and ideas are expressed with distinctive style and rhythm

KATHA UTSAV IS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO:

- Participate in 2-day Workshops from renowned authors, editors, and mentors
- Represent your city and school on the national stage
- Be part of a movement for joyful, child-led storytelling in India
- Receive certificates for participation in the Regional and National Workshops
- Be featured in the “Best of KATHA Utsav Collection”

TIMELINE



Date	Event
30 Sept 2025	Deadline for story submissions
21 Oct 2025	Announcement of submissions shortlisted for Regional Workshops
01–30 November	Regional Workshops
8 Dec 2025	Announcement of submissions shortlisted for National Workshop
December 27-28	National Writers’ Workshop and Grand Finale (Delhi NCR/Chennai/Bengaluru)*



SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER AND JOIN THE KATHA UTSAV 2025 COMMUNITY FOR UPDATES

*Dates for Regional and National Workshops are subject to change

Those selected for the Regionals and Grand Finale from across India will attend in-person Writers’ Workshops in:



GRAND FINALE

The KATHA Utsav 2025 Grand Finale gathers the most promising young voices from across India for two days of mentorship with the country’s best writers.

