

**Southwest Florida Romance Writers
17th Annual
“Hold Me, Thrill Me” Contest
\$100 FIRST PRIZE!**

Sponsored by: Southwest Florida Romance Writers

Fee: \$25.00

Deadline: Postmarked by: October 1, 2007

Enter: Enter First Chapter (twenty pages maximum) and optional, one page synopsis (not judged). **Categories:** Entries must contain a romantic element and may be long/short contemporary, suspense, mystery, historical, western, regency, medieval, paranormal, fantasy and YA.

Final judge: Marlene Stringer - Barbara Bova Literary Agency.

**Eligibility: Open to unpublished in book-length RWA members only.
Limited to first 100 entries.**

First place prize: \$100 Second place prize: \$50 Third place prize: \$25.

Rules:

1. Entries must include: \$25 check or money order made payable to SWFRW, an entry form (or copy) and signed contestant's agreement/release form. Do not put your name on the text pages, but do include the title and page numbers in the header. Text should be in Courier 12, standard manuscript form.
2. Four copies must accompany your submission, not to exceed fifteen double-spaced pages each. Be sure to keep a copy for yourself.
3. Enclose a regular SASE if you would like only your score sheets returned with a list of the winners. In all cases, if you wish critiqued manuscript pages returned, include a large envelope with appropriate postage thereon. Preliminary and final judges will be encouraged to write on the manuscript pages.

Winners to be announced in the RWR and on our website <http://www.swfrw.org/>
Estimated date of announcement will be **January 15, 2008**.

If you have any trouble downloading our entry form or these rules from our web site (or need more information) please email Julie at <mailto:Julie@lynxpm.com> or send your request with an SASE to:

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