

‘Writing Home’

The Scottish branch of international writers’ organization, PEN, invites refugees, asylum seekers, and others whose first language is not English [and members of Scottish PEN] to submit writing inspired by the theme of 'Home'. The best work will be selected by members of Scottish PEN's Writers in Exile Committee, with priority being given to work from refugees and asylum seekers. The selection will be presented on the PEN and Scottish Refugee Council’s web-sites where it should receive wide readership during Refugee Week (15th-21st June 2009).

Both poetry and prose are welcome. Poems should be no longer than forty lines (excluding the title), prose pieces no longer than 250 words. Each person may send in one prose piece and/or up to three poems. Submissions may be in any language provided that they are accompanied by a translation into English. The translation might be the writer’s own, or through collaboration with another writer.

Work must be submitted by **Friday 15 May** as a word attachment to an e-mail. If the writing is in another script than English, please scan and send as an attachment in the form of a jpeg or pdf. Send to: pensubmissions@googlemail.com. Please include a biography of no more than 50 words, and your contact details, including home address. Copyright will remain with the author.

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