

The Bess Streeter Aldrich Foundation would like to thank those who submitted stories for the 2019 Short Story Contest. Our judges were presented with a quite a challenge based upon the quality of this year's entries. They are pleased to announce our 2019 winners:

**Intermediate Level, 3-5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

1. Jacob Morrison, Upchurch Elementary, Omaha, Nebraska
2. Zan Harner, Sheridan Elementary, Lincoln, Nebraska
3. Hannah Petersen, Elmwood-Murdock Elementary, Elmwood, Nebraska

Honorable Mention: Rylie Gordon, Elmwood-Murdock\*

**Middle School Level, 6-8 Grade**

1. Vaishvika Balamurugan, Pound Middle School, Lincoln, Nebraska
2. Dailee Guthrie, Home School, Lincoln, Nebraska
3. Maren Michelle Steinke, Irving Middle School, Lincoln, Nebraska

Honorable Mention: Kaylee Garrison, Milford, Nebraska\*

**High School Level, 9-12 Grade**

1. Penny Duran, Willy Brandt Schule Home School, Houston, Texas
2. Cai Zylstra, Home School, Lincoln, Nebraska
3. Emily Manley, Seward High School, Seward, Nebraska

Honorable Mention: Bailey Mooney, Seward, Nebraska

**Adult Level**

1. Ruffin Stirling, Elkhorn, Nebraska
2. Kim Wilch, Fremont, Nebraska
3. Phyllis Buell, Lincoln, Nebraska

Honorable Mention: Susan Bristol, Omaha, Nebraska