

Muse India

the literary ejournal

Muse India Young Writer Award 2024

SUBMISSIONS INVITED

Last date for submission: Dec 31, 2024

***Muse India** (<https://museindia.com>) is a leading literary web journal that showcases Indian Writing in English, and regional literatures of India in English translation. The journal is widely respected for its thematic coverage and distinguished panel of Contributing Editors from across India. Established in 2005 by a group of writers, it has a membership base of 13,000 plus from over 65 countries and attracts close to 10,000 visits to its site every month.*

The Muse India Translation Award and the Muse India Young Writer Award are given in alternate years.

Muse India takes pleasure in announcing the **Muse India – GSP Rao Young Writer Award 2024** to a writer not older than 35 years, for an outstanding original work in English or any Indian language, translated into English.

Submissions invited

Submissions are now invited from authors and publishers for consideration of the award. The main objective of the award is to recognise originality and exceptional literary merit in a young writer's work.

The Award

The award will comprise a **cash prize of Rs 25,000 (Rupees Twenty-five thousand only)** and a Certificate.

If the Award goes to a work translated into English, a cash prize of Rs 15,000 will be given to the original author (35 or below) and Rs 10,000 to the translator (no age bar).

'Certificate of Honourable Mention' will be awarded to **two other outstanding submissions**. There will be no cash prize component for this.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- i. Entries should be **books published in English only**. It can be an English translation of an Indian language work. Books published in regional languages should not be submitted.
- ii. Books of **any creative literary genre** (novels, collections of short stories, poetry, plays, historical biographies, memoirs, etc) can be submitted for consideration for the award.
- iii. Books **published during the calendar years 2023 and 2024** are eligible.
- iv. The author should be an Indian citizen - Resident or Non-Resident Indian.
- v. The author (original writer of the translated work) should be **35 years or**

- younger** as of the book's publication date. Proof of age will be required.
- vi. **E-books published** by reputed publishers will also be eligible. However, **printed copies** of the book should be submitted, along with complete details of the Publisher and their website.
 - vii. Self-published books or self-published E-books are not eligible.
 - viii. The following have to be submitted:
 - a. **2 copies of the book** (More copies would be required later if the book gets shortlisted for the award.)
 - b. **Proof of age** (any valid official document).
 - c. **Bio-note** of the author and translator (for translated work), **along with photos**.
 - d. A **Covering letter** furnishing full details of the publication.

(**Note:** Items b, c and d can be sent by email also.)

JURY

A distinguished panel of judges comprising writers, scholars and editors of *Muse India* will assess the entries and select the award winners.

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Submissions should reach *Muse India* at the address given below **by Dec 31, 2024**.

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