

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE GOLLANCZ AND RIVERS OF LONDON BAME AWARD

1. This writing competition is called "The Gollancz and Rivers of London BAME Award". To enter please submit 5,000-10,000 of either a short story or opening chapters of a novel in accordance with the terms and conditions below ("Entry"). The entrants should supply a covering letter and a short summary of their short story or novel of no more than 1000 words alongside their Entry.
2. Entries should be submitted as a Word document, pdf or equivalent and submitted via the entry submission box on the Competition entry landing page.
3. The Winner will receive a prize of £4,000 and four mentoring sessions (once per quarter) over one calendar year from an editor in Gollancz (such sessions will each consist of a one-hour long phone call). A runner up will receive a prize of £2,000 and a full written critique of their Entry by a Gollancz editor, and five entrants will receive £800 and a goodie bag of Gollancz books. "Winner" means the person who is selected as having submitted the winning entry or any substitute if the original winner is disqualified. "Second Place Winner" refers to the person who is selected as having submitted the second winning entry or any substitute if the original second place winner is disqualified. "Runner Up" refers to any of the five people who are selected as having been identified as runners up.
4. Entrants must be at least 18 years old, identify as Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic and be a resident of the UK or Ireland. Entrants must not have had a book published in any format previously by a UK publisher, be under contract for publication by such a publisher or their Entry must not have won a prize in another writing competition.
5. The Winner, Second Place Winner and Runners Up will be selected from the entries received in accordance with these terms and conditions that fulfil the Criteria. Entries will be judged for the quality of writing, originality, and style ("Criteria").
6. The Winner, Second Place Winner and Runners Up will be selected by representatives from Orion and Ben Aaronovitch (together the "Judges"), whose decision will be final.
7. The Winner will be announced on 14 July 2020 at an event hosted for the award in Carmelite House, 50 Victoria Embankment, London EC4Y 0DZ. The Winner may see his/her name posted on the Orion website, Gollancz website, National Novel Writing Month website and their respective social media accounts and newsletters.
8. There is no purchase necessary to enter.
9. The competition opens at 00.01 GMT on Sunday 1st October 2019 and closes at 23:59 GMT on Friday 31st January 2020. Any Entries received outside these specified times and dates, and any Entries that do not meet the requirements of these terms and conditions, will not be eligible for entry into the Competition.
10. A maximum of one Entry per person allowed. Second or subsequent Entries will be disqualified. Entries will not be accepted via agents, third parties or in bulk.
11. By submitting their Entry, the Entrant agrees and warrants that (i) the submission contains the Entrant's own original work; and (ii) nothing in the submission is defamatory, private or an infringement of copyright or other intellectual property right or in any way a breach of another's right. If any third party material is included it must be with the prior permission of the original writer or other creator. Orion reserves the right to ask for the permission before any prize is distributed. Any Entry in breach of this clause will be disqualified from participating in the Competition and from winning any prize.
12. Orion reserves the right to alter the prizes, the judging panel or cancel the Competition without notice but will try to avoid creating any undue disappointment.
13. Orion is not responsible for contacting or forwarding prizes to Entrants who provide unclear or incomplete information or for Entries lost, misdirected, delayed or destroyed.
14. The competition is not open to employees of Orion or any company within the Hachette group of companies, their families, or to anyone professionally connected to the Competition or to the Judges either themselves or through their families.

15. The names and email addresses of entrants (**'Information'**) will be collected by Orion and will be used in accordance with its Privacy Notice which can be found [here](#). Orion will be the Data Controller of the Information. Except as set out below, the Information will be deleted once the Winner, Second Place Winner and Runners Up have been announced. The Information will not be shared with anyone outside Orion except for sending the prizes as described below. The Winner, Second Prize Winner and Runners Up will be asked for their bank details so that their prize money may be sent to them. Such details will be deleted after the money has been sent except insofar as it is necessary for Orion to keep them for its financial records. The Runners-Up will be asked to provide their postal addresses in order that they may be sent the goodie bag of books referred to above. Their names and addresses will be shared with Hachette UK Distribution Limited, Orion's distributor, so that their prize may be sent to them and will be deleted after the books have been delivered. **"Personal Data"** means your name and other identifying details (e.g. email addresses, date of birth) and **"Special Category Data"** means any special category data that reveals your racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, trade union membership, genetic data, biometric data, data concerning health or sex life and sexual orientation (referred to jointly as **"Personal Data"**).
16. The Winner, Second-Prize Winner and Runners-Ups names' will be shared in a public announcement in The Bookseller, Gollancz website and newsletter, National Novel Writing Month website and newsletter and any other media outlets who chose to run articles on this competition.
17. The Winner's Personal Data will be retained by Orion for future correspondence which will include either four phone or skype call as part of the prize to provide mentoring sessions with the winner.
18. By entering the Competition each Entrant agrees to be bound by these terms and conditions.
19. This Competition is being organised by The Orion Publishing Group Ltd, Carmelite House, 50 Victoria Embankment, London EC4Y 0DZ via its Gollancz imprint (**"Orion"**).
20. These terms and conditions and any disputes or claims (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of these terms and conditions shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of England, whose courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction.