

## **2015 *BETWEEN THE LINES* PROGRAM**

### **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS**

Please send your applications for the 2015 Between the Lines (BTL) Program by e-mail to [usgexchanges@gmail.com](mailto:usgexchanges@gmail.com).

The subject of your message should be “2015 BTL Program Student Application [Your Name].”

All student applications for the 2015 Between the Lines Program must include the following documents as attachments. All writing samples must be sent in 12-point font and have one-inch margins all around.

1. Application form in .pdf format.
2. International passport copy, if available.
3. A writing sample of 6-8 pages of prose and/or poetry in Russian.
4. A writing sample of 6-8 pages of prose and/or poetry in English (different document).
5. A brief one-paragraph statement of purpose in English (no more than 250 words) describing why writing is important to the life of the applicant and what he/she hopes to learn during the BLT Program
6. A writing sample of 2-5 pages of prose and/or poetry in either language (Russian or English) in response to one of the following writing prompts:
  - During breakfast you are startled by a heavy knock at the door. It is someone who demands something from you. Who is it, what does he/she need, and what happens next? Write a short story or poem.
  - Write a short story or poem that contains three (3) of the following objects and one (1) place: Objects: old bicycle, uncomfortable couch, leaking canoe, sleeping puppy, love note, truth serum; Places: cruise ship, forest with a lake, empty street at dawn, deserted dance club.

All attachments should be clearly marked:

1. “[Your Name] 2015 BTL Student Application”
2. “[Your Name] Passport”
3. “[Your Name] Writing Sample Russian”
4. “[Your Name] Writing Sample English”
5. “[Your Name] Statement of Purpose”
6. “[Your Name] Prompt Response”

Please do not archive your attachments.

### ***APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CHAPERONES***

Teachers interested in becoming chaperones for Russian participants in the 2015 BTL program must submit an application form and international passport copy, if available, resume/CV and a brief statement of purpose (both in English) describing your goals for the program, why creative writing is important to you and your work, and how your participation would benefit the program. In the resume, please specify, if you have travelled to the U.S. before, and the time and purpose of your travel.

#### **Chaperone applications must include:**

*mf* Application form in .pdf format

*mf* Resume/CV in English

*mf* International passport copy, if available;

*mf* Brief statement of purpose in English (no more than 250 words) describing your goals for the program, why creative writing is important to you and your work, and how your participation would benefit the program.

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The subject of your message should be “2015 BTL Program Chaperone Application [Your Name].”

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1. “[Your Name] 2015 BTL Chaperone Application
2. “[Your Name] Passport”
3. “[Your Name] CV/Resume
4. “[Your Name] Statement of Purpose”

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Any questions can be directed to:

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