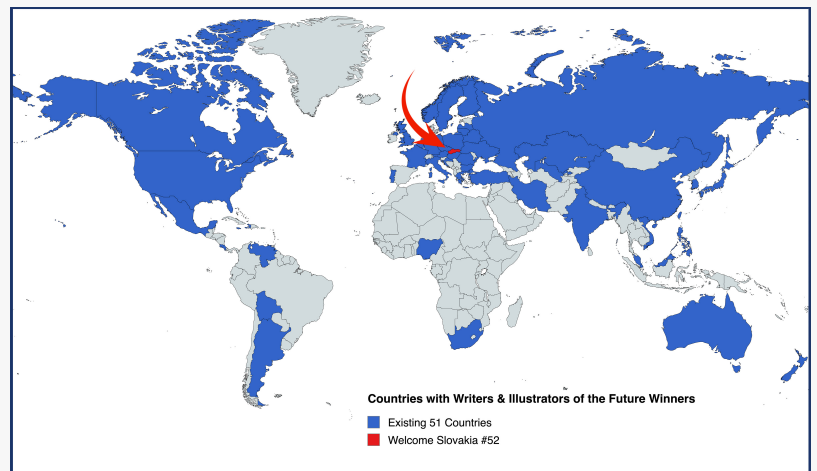


L. Ron Hubbard's Writers and Illustrators of the Future Contests Welcome Slovakia as 52nd Winning Country

Slovakia joins 51 countries in the prestigious Writers & Illustrators of the Future Contests, celebrating global talent in sci-fi and fantasy.

LOS ANGELES, CA, UNITED STATES, July 14, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- For more than 40 years, the [L. Ron Hubbard Writers and Illustrators of the Future](#) Contests have helped aspiring writers and artists achieve their dreams. With entries from over 175 of the 195 countries worldwide, representing more than 90% of nations, the Contests now celebrate Slovakia's addition. A world map, attached, highlights the 51 previous winning countries in blue and Slovakia in red.



World map showing all 52 countries with winners from L. Ron Hubbard Presents Writers and Illustrators of the Future including an arrow pointing to the most recent, Slovakia.

Located in Central Europe, Slovakia is known for its picturesque mountains and castles. Now, it joins 51 countries with a winner from one of the world's most prestigious science fiction and fantasy competitions. "There are thousands of entries each quarter in these Contests," said John Goodwin, president of Author Services, Inc., the literary agency overseeing the competitions. When launching the Contest in 1983, L. Ron Hubbard noted that it "came with an avalanche of new material from all over the country." Goodwin added, "Forty-two years later, the avalanche of entries has only grown and spans the globe!"

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Author Services, Inc.*

Bohuslav Argalas was named a second-quarter winner in the [Illustrators of the Future Contest](#). His animated-style artwork will be featured in L. Ron Hubbard Presents Writers of the Future

Volume 42 in 2026. His three submissions met the Contest's requirements: originality, no AI generation, and a science fiction or fantasy theme.

Argalas will travel to Hollywood, California, for a weeklong illustrating workshop, culminating in an Oscar-style gala awards ceremony. There, he will receive his trophy before hundreds of science fiction and fantasy writers, artists, industry professionals and media, with the event streamed live to over 350,000 viewers worldwide.

52 Winning Countries:

- Argentina
- Australia
- Belarus
- Belgium
- Bolivia
- Bulgaria
- Canada
- China
- Costa Rica
- Croatia
- Czechia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Grenada
- Greece
- Hungary
- India
- Iran
- Italy
- Jamaica
- Japan
- Kazakhstan
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Malaysia
- Mexico
- Netherlands
- New Zealand
- Nigeria
- Northern Ireland
- Norway
- Philippines
- Poland

- Portugal
- Romania
- Russia
- Scotland
- Singapore
- Slovakia
- South Africa
- South Korea
- Sweden
- Taiwan
- Turkey
- Ukraine
- United Kingdom
- United States
- Uzbekistan
- Venezuela
- Vietnam
- Wales

Contest Achievements

The Contests' success is evident in their winners' accomplishments. The 571 writing contest winners and published finalists have written over 8,000 novels and short stories, with sales topping 60 million copies. The 418 illustrating contest winners have contributed to over 700 books, 500 comics and 130 major motion pictures, gaming feature films, TV shows, and documentaries.

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