

ENTRY FORM

Poet's Name:

Address:

City:

ZIP:

Phone:

Email:

Title of Poem:

Category (check one)

 General Special

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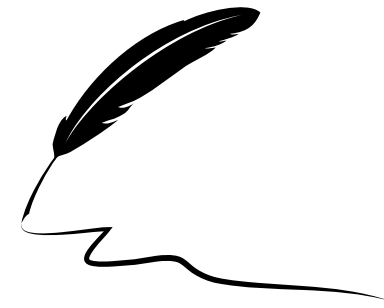
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**POETS
 CORNER**
CONTEST

2023

Entries Due by Friday, March 24, 2023

...afraid, yes, but among you again
 crying yes risk joy

in the raw wind of the new world.

–Louise Glück



Sponsor

The Poets' Corner Poetry Contest is sponsored by the Modesto Poet's Corner Committee, a subcommittee of the Modesto Culture Commission.

WHO MAY ENTER

*Poets of any age who reside in Stanislaus County**

1. **GENERAL:** Any kind of poetry on any subject, rhymed or unrhymed. Free verse and for welcome. Group of three haiku accepted as one entry.
2. **SPECIAL:** Renewal: How do we restore and renew ourselves and our community after years of pandemic? How do we individually and collectively allow ourselves the space to mourn and feel what has been lost while holding optimism and being open to possibility? What might renewal look like in nature, ourselves, our families, and our communities? What does it feel like to be hopeful, imagine a better world, and create the future?

RULES

No more than two entries per person, not to exceed 32 lines each. Entries may be two of one category or one of each category.

Entries must be unpublished at the time of submission. **No simultaneous submissions of poems to the Aileen Jaffa Contest or other contests.**

Plagiarism or offensive language will be grounds for disqualification of submitted work.

All entries must be typed on a standard 8 1/2" x 11" paper, double-spaced, in a standard font.

At the top of each poem, indicate contest category and, if under the age of 18, your grade in school. **Do not put the name of the poet on any submitted poem; put the name on the cover page or entry form only.**

FOR ONLINE SUBMISSIONS:

Include one cover page with poet's name, address, email address and title(s) of poem(s). If the poet is a student, indicate grade, school and name of teacher.

Submit cover page and one copy of each poem in doc, docx or pdf format to poetscorner@mostpoetry.org.

FOR MAILED SUBMISSIONS:

Submit one copy of each poem entered along with one entry form for each poem to:

Modesto-Stanislaus Poetry Center
c/o Poets' Corner Contest
P.O. Box 578940
Modesto, CA 95357

or

McHenry Museum
c/o Poet's Corner Contest
1402 I Street, Modesto, CA 95354

(*Students who attend schools in Stanislaus County are eligible to submit entries to the Poets' Corner Contest.)

Deadline

Entries must be postmarked by Friday, March 24, 2023.

or

Submitted electronically by 11:59 P.M. Friday, March 24, 2023.

WINNERS

Winners will be notified by email (or mail, when email is unavailable.)
Poets will be invited to read their winning poems on

Sunday, June 4, 2023 at 1:00 P.M. at the McHenry Museum,
followed by light refreshments.

All building uses are subject to COVID-19 protocols and restrictions. All uses are subject to change and may be canceled or adjusted at owner's discretion for compliance.

Winning poems will be collected in a booklet. Each winner will receive a booklet, and a copy will be added to the Poets' Bookshelf at the McHenry Museum.