

# 10th Annual Poetry Contest

To enter, submit a typed copy of your original poem (40 lines or less) by April 15, 2019.

Professional judges will select the best entry in each age group. Winners receive a certificate, prize, and publication.

## NAME

Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

I am a Palatine Public Library District cardholder

Library Card # \_\_\_\_\_

I am NOT a District cardholder

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Poem \_\_\_\_\_

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## Choose your age group:

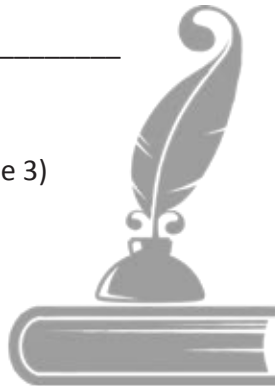
Youth Lower Elementary (preschool through grade 3)

Youth Upper Elementary (grades 4-6)

Teen (grades 7-12)

Adult (ages 18+)

If under 18, Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_



## Thank you for participating!

## PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

- No entry fee.
- Poets of all ages may submit **one typed, unpublished poem** (40 lines or less).
- Work is judged “blind;” omit personal info (i.e. your name) from your entry. Include this Entry Form.
- Palatine Public Library District **residents** compete for the Nancy J. Heggem Poetry Awards; **nonresidents** compete for the Library’s Write-On Awards.
- Contest open to Illinois Northwest Suburban residents only.
- Professional judges select the winners. All winners receive a **certificate, and publication of their poem** on the Library’s website. Nancy Heggem Award winners also receive a **cash prize**; Write-On Award winners receive a **magnetic poetry set**.
- The Library cannot return entries.
- Current Palatine Library staff, board members, and trustees are not eligible for prizes.
- Prizes and certificates must be picked up in person.

## DISPLAY GUIDELINES

- Poems will be displayed in the Main Library as space permits.

## HOW TO SUBMIT

- **Online:** Submit your entry at [www.palatinelibrary.org/poetry](http://www.palatinelibrary.org/poetry)
- **In Person:** Submit your entry at the Main Library’s contest display on the first floor or any Branch. Include this completed Entry Form with your submission.
- **By Post:** Mail your poem and Entry Form to: Poetry Contest, c/o Information Services Department, Palatine Public Library District, 700 N. North Court, Palatine, IL 60067. **Postmark deadline: April 15.** *Postal entries must be received by April 22, to be eligible for judging.*

## CELEBRATE WITH US

- Winners announced at a ceremony and open mic **on Sunday, May 5, 2:30 p.m. Sign up.**



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