

# Poetry Contest



## Rules:

- There will be 4 categories for judging: grades K-5, 6-8, 9-12 and Adults.
- Poems cannot be over thirty-two (32) lines of text. Title does not count as a line.
- Poems may be in any genre and on any appropriate subject; i.e., no pro-violence, pro-drugs, etc.
- Poems containing language that is vulgar, offensive, or wholly inappropriate will not be accepted.
  
- All entries must be in English and be the original work of the entrant.
- Poems must not have been published anywhere prior to contest.
- Poems must avoid using "texting" lingo and all words must be spelled out.
- All poems must be neatly typed or hand printed and titled.
- You may submit up to three (3) poems.
- Email submissions will be accepted in the form of a Word document.
- Submit poem without your name on it for anonymous judging. Be sure title of poem is on entry form.
- Send only a copy of your poem; submissions will not be returned.
- For information contact: Jack Isemann at 304-298-3846 or the library at 304-298-4493.
- **Deadline for entries: March 22, 2023, 5 pm.**
- Cash prizes and awards presented at Poetry Tea, 6:30 pm, April 4 at Ft. Ashby Public Library, 57 Presidents St., Ft. Ashby, WV 26719. Winning entries will be read by author or person chosen.

## Entry Form



Check Category: grade K-5 \_\_\_\_\_ grade 6-8 \_\_\_\_\_ grade 9-12 \_\_\_\_\_ adult \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Title Poem #1 \_\_\_\_\_

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Title Poem #2 \_\_\_\_\_

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Title Poem #3: \_\_\_\_\_

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Submit entry form and poem(s) to Ft. Ashby Public Library by mail to PO Box 74, Fort Ashby WV 26719 or deliver to 57 Presidents St., Ft. Ashby; or email entry form and poem(s) in Word document to Joanne\_snead@yahoo.com.

**Deadline for entries Wednesday, March 22, 2023, 5 pm.**