

SecondBite Poetry Competition: Guidelines

Anne Carson is the proud founder of the SecondBite Poetry Competition, offered in 2014 for the first time.

The Competition:

- Poems shall be on the topic of 'food'.
- A first prize of \$5,000 and 2 runners-up prizes of \$500 shall be awarded.
- Poems must be received no later than 5pm, May 30th.
- Shortlisted poets shall be notified by July 7th, 2014.
- Shortlisted poets (or proxy) will be invited to an awards event (date and venue to be announced) in Melbourne at their own expense to read their poem.
- The winning poem shall be announced at the awards event (date and venue to be announced).
- The competition reserves the right to publish any shortlisted poems for a period of 1 month after the end of the competition.

Conditions of Entry:

- Poems shall be 40 lines or less, written in English.
- All poems submitted must be single-authored.
- Entrants must be Australian citizens (living anywhere) or have permanent resident status in Australia.
- Poems shall be the author's original work, and must not have been previously published nor won an award.
- Quoting other writers' work must be duly acknowledged.
- Poems may not be on offer elsewhere for either competitions or publication for the duration of the competition.
- The judge's decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- The judges reserve the right not to award the prize.
- No poems shall be returned to authors.

How to enter:

- Entries must be typed in Times New Roman font or similar on single-sided A4 paper.
- The title of the poem must appear on each page.
- The author's name must not appear on any page of the work as all entries will be judged anonymously.
- An entry form is required for each poem submitted. Please attach three (3) copies of the poem to the entry form. Poems will only be accepted by mail – no email entries will be accepted.
- The entry fee is \$15 (incl GST) per poem submitted, payable online only to:
<http://www.australianpoetry.org/2014/01/30/secondbite-poetry-competition/>
- Multiple entries are allowed and can be sent in a single envelope and paid for in a single payment.
- Receipt of payment will be automatically generated. A receipt of entry will only be sent if requested and Stamped Self Addressed Envelope included with submission.

Please note that failure to meet the above conditions will disqualify the relevant entries.



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