

** Now Open for Submissions **

2020 WFOP Student Contest

Winning poems will be published in the 2021 *Wisconsin Poets' Calendar*. All winning poets (including honorable mentions) will receive a complimentary copy. JUNIOR DIVISION (grades 6 - 8) and SENIOR DIVISION (grades 9 - 12).

Cash prizes in each division:

- 1st place \$75
- 2nd place \$50
- 3rd place \$25

Deadline for submissions: January 31, 2020. Poems arriving after 11:59 p.m on January 31, 2020 will not be considered.

Submission Guidelines:

- Students may enter ONE original poem
- Maximum length: 24 lines (which includes stanza breaks, but not the title).
- Line length: 60-character limit, including spaces and indents.
- We cannot consider longer poems, multiple entries, or collaborative poems (written by more than one student).
- Students need to be attending a school (or be home-schooled) in Wisconsin.
- A previously published poem or a poem that has won an award (except in this contest) is still eligible, but the entry must include publication or award information.

To Submit:

- Poems must be submitted via e-mail submissions. In the subject line, write: "WFOP Contest Lastname Firstname" for example: WFOP Contest SmithJoan.
- In the body of the email, include:
 - o The student's name, home address, e-mail address if available, telephone number, student's current grade in school, and the title of the poem.
 - The teacher's name, e-mail address if available, the school's name, school's complete mailing address, and school phone number (home-schoolers: indicate home-school association, if applicable).
 - o **Important!** At the bottom, include the following statement: "This is my original work" followed by the student's name typed.
- Send the poem as an attachment: rtf, doc or docx. Name the attachment the same as the subject line. For example: WFOP Contest SmithJoan
- The attached document must contain <u>only</u> your poem and its title. Do not put your name or any other information in the document.
- Please format poems in Times New Roman 12.
- Email address for submissions is wfopstudentcontest@gmail.com
- Email acknowledgements of submissions will be sent. If an acknowledgement has not been received within two weeks after submission, please contact the contest coordinator at the above email address.

Winners will be notified via email and posted at: wfop.org/contests. Projected publication date of 2021 Wisconsin Poets' Calendar is September 2020.