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**POETS
 CORNER**
CONTEST
2022

Entries Due by Friday, March 18, 2022

“Now is our time to practice—
 singing from balconies, sending
 words of comfort by any courier,
 kindling our lonesome generosity
 to shine in all directions like stars.”

–Kim Stafford



Sponsor

The Poets' Corner Poetry Contest is sponsored by the Modesto Poets' 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 form welcome. Group of three haiku accepted as one entry.
2. **SPECIAL:** Gratitude and Hope: How can we be grateful and hopeful in these challenging times? How could we be open to our need to discover and share hope and chances for joy? How do we create time and space to care about being alive? What might happen with gratitude and hope?

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Entries must be unpublished at the time of submission.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 poetscornermodesto@gmail.com.

FOR ONLINE SUBMISSIONS:

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

City of Modesto
Parks Recreation and Neighborhoods Department
c/o Poets' Corner Contest
P.O. Box 642
Modesto, CA 95353
Delivery Address: 1010 Tenth Street Suite 3300

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 18, 2022.

or

Submitted electronically by 11:59 P.M. Friday, March 18, 2022.

WINNERS

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

Sunday, May 15, 2022 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.