

## Norfolk Public Library Poetry Contest:

**Contest Rules:** Each entrant may submit up to two poems of no more than 16 lines per poem on any subject, in any form. Each poem should have a title, and each poem should be on a separate page. Poet's name **must not** appear on the page(s) with the poetry. In addition to the poem(s), all entries must include the completed official entry form found on the back of this sheet, or on our website at [www.norfolkne.gov/library](http://www.norfolkne.gov/library). Submissions are open to any current Norfolk Public Library cardholder. If the submission is from a child or teen who does not have a library card, a parent or guardian must have a current Norfolk Public Library card. Entries must be the **original, unpublished** work of the entrant and may be turned in at the library or by using our online submission form. No submissions will be returned. Poems not meeting our requirements will be disqualified. Entrants retain the copyright for their individual work.

**Contest Deadline:** March 31, 2023

**Prizes:** Top winner in each division (Age 12 & under; 13-18; and 19 & up) will receive a \$25 gift certificate that can be used at a variety of local businesses. Poems entered will be on display in the library during National Library Week, April 23-29.

**Selection:** Poems are judged based on originality, creativity, and artistic quality. Because poems will be displayed in the library for all ages to read, we request no profanity or other offensive material.

**Eligibility:** The Norfolk Public Library Poetry Contest is open to all ages. Library employees are ineligible and may not enter.

**Fees:** There are no entry fees for this contest. The Norfolk Public Library encourages all to pursue literary endeavors.

**Notification:** Winners will be notified by April 15.

# Norfolk Public Library Poetry Contest Entry Form

Poet's Name

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Address

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Phone Number

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Library Card Number

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Title of Poem

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Title of Second Poem (second poem optional)

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Age

12 & under

13-18

19 & up

*If selected as a winner, I give the library  
permission to share my name on social media.*

Yes

No

The poem(s) submitted are my original, unpublished creations. I have read the rules and understand them. I give the Norfolk Public Library permission to display my work in the library.

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(signature)