

POETRY AND SHORT STORY WRITING **COMPETITION 2020**



Poems and stories should be typed or CLEARLY handwritten. Maximum size of paper A4.

Poems, stories and entry forms to reach **Mrs Elizabeth Whiteley** before or by the closing date **1st March 2020**.

In all cases the Adjudicator will be looking for originality and craft. Entrants will receive a written adjudication of their work at the conclusion of the Festival. No verbal adjudication will be given.

Winners will be notified two weeks before the Festival and we would be delighted if they could attend on the evening of **THURSDAY, 30th APRIL 2020** to receive their certificates, trophies or prizes. A selection of winners' entries will be read by their author or a nominated committee member.

PLEASE WILL ALL ENTRANTS WRITE THEIR NAMES ONLY ON THE BACK OF THEIR ENTRIES.

ENTRY FEES:

Under 18 years: **£5** per entry to a maximum of **£20** for four or more poems/stories per writer.

18 years and over: **£6** per entry to a maximum of **£24** for four or more poems/stories per writer.

PLEASE SEND ALL COPIES DIRECTLY TO:

MRS ELIZABETH WHITELEY, 15 St Peter's Court, Addingham, West Yorkshire, LS29 0RL

IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR ORIGINAL COPY RETURNED, PLEASE ENCLOSE A STAMPED ADDRESSED A4 ENVELOPE WITH YOUR ENTRY FORM.

PLEASE NOTE: POEMS/STORIES THAT EXCEED THE WORD/LINE LIMIT WILL BE PENALISED BY THE ADJUDICATOR.

- P1 YEAR 4 & UNDER.**
An original poem of not more than **12 lines**.
- P2 YEAR 6 & UNDER.**
An original poem of not more than **24 lines**.
- P3 YEAR 9 & UNDER.**
An original poem of not more than **24 lines**.
- P4 YEAR 11 & UNDER.**
An original poem of not more than **30 lines**.
- P5 AN ORIGINAL POEM. NO AGE LIMIT.**
Any unpublished poem of not more than **80 lines**.
- P6 DIALECT. NO AGE LIMIT.**
Any unpublished poem written in a dialect of not more than **80 lines**.
- P7 POEMS IN A TRADITIONAL FORM. NO AGE LIMIT.**
E.g. Sonnet, Villanelle, Haiku, etc.
- P8 HUMOROUS POEM. NO AGE LIMIT.**
Any unpublished humorous poem of not more than **80 lines**.
- S1 SHORT STORY. YEAR 4 & UNDER.**
In no more than **200 words** write a story of own choosing.

- S2** **SHORT STORY. YEAR 6 & UNDER.**
In no more than **500 words** write a story of own choosing.
- S3** **SHORT STORY. YEAR 11 & UNDER.**
In no more than **500 words** write a story of own choosing.
- S4** **SHORT STORY. NO AGE LIMIT.**
In no more than **1,000 words** write a story of own choosing.