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WALS POETRY AWARD

International competition
for English language poetry

Free entry for writers
from low-income backgrounds*

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CLOSING DATE
27 NOVEMBER 2020



1ST AWARD WINNER
£250 & a place on a residential course of your choice at Literature Wales' Tŷ Newydd Writing Centre in 2021

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2ND AWARD WINNER
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and 10 Highly Commended Prizes

After 55 years of publishing contemporary poetry in 212 issues (and counting) of its magazine, *Poetry Wales* hosts its second year of Wales Poetry Award, a national competition to discover the very best international contemporary poetry. Wales Poetry Award is open to single poem entries from new and established poets from Wales and beyond, with 3 awards and 10 highly commended prizes to be won. Winning poems will be published in upcoming issues of *Poetry Wales*.

An entry fee of £5 applies for each poem submitted and you may submit up to 5 poems.

This competition is free to enter for writers of **low-income backgrounds** residing in the UK, from households earning £16,000k or less per year.*

To submit your entry, visit **poetrywales.co.uk/award** or use the form overleaf.

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RULES

- Wales Poetry Award opens for entries 1 July 2020 and closes 27 November 2020 at

3pm (British Standard Time). Any entries received after this time will not be considered.

- Wales Poetry Award is open to poets worldwide aged 17 or over at the time of submission.
- Poems should be submitted primarily in English, with a key or footnotes included for any words translated.
- You may submit up to 5 poems online at poetrywales.co.uk/award or via post.
- Unless visual effects/font variations are part of a poem's composition, entries should be typed, single-spaced, in 12pt Arial font and printed in black ink.
- All entries must be accompanied with an entry form.
- Entries will not be returned so please keep a copy for your own records.
- Poems may not be edited once they have been submitted.
- Poems must not exceed 70 lines (excluding title).
- Each poem must be sent as a separate .doc, .docx or PDF document.
- If a poem exceeds one page, please number the pages with the title printed on each page.
- Your name must not be visible on entries as poems are judged anonymously.
- Poems will be judged on quality, style and poetic impact.
- Prizes may not be awarded if we do not receive a minimum of 200 entries.
- A submission fee of £5 must accompany every poem submitted, with the exception of those entitled to free entry.
- *Entries are free for UK residents of low-income backgrounds, from households earning £16,000 or less per year.
- Simultaneous submissions are not permitted.
- Poems may not have been previously published.



- Poems submitted must be entirely your own work.
- Entry fees may be paid online at poetrywales.co.uk/award or via post using the form overleaf.
- By entering Wales Poetry Award, authors of shortlisted, winning and highly commended poems grant Poetry Wales the unrestricted rights in perpetuity to publish and broadcast their poem in print, online, audio, performance and video. Winning poems may not be published elsewhere until March 2022.
- Your contact details will be used to inform you about the status of your entry and about current and future rounds of Wales Poetry Award.
- *Poetry Wales* reserves the right to disqualify entries for any reason.
- Shortlisted poets will be notified of their shortlist status by the end of February 2021 unless circumstances prevent this.
- The winner is entitled to a residential course at Literature Wales Tŷ Newydd Writing Centre of his/her choice or a 4-night stay at their Nant Writers' Retreat Cottage in 2021 subject to availability, and not including courses that are awarded through a competitive application process. Prize cannot be exchanged for a monetary prize.
- Entrants must be contactable via email or phone.

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Wales Poetry Award 2020 Entry Form

Enter online at poetrywales.co.uk/award or complete the following form in **BLOCK** capitals and send it along with your poems and payment to our address by 27 November 2020.

Name: _____

Date of birth: ____ / ____ / ____ Pronouns: She / He / They / _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____ Telephone: _____

Email address: _____

Please tick this box if you do **NOT** wish to be added to the **Poetry Wales** mailing list.

Poem title(s)

1. _____ £5 / free

2. _____ £5 / free

3. _____ £5 / free

4. _____ £5 / free

5. _____ £5 / free

Total £ _____

Send completed forms to:

**Wales Poetry Award, Poetry Wales,
57 Nolton Street,
Bridgend,
CF31 3AE**

Payment

A. Cheque:

Payable to **Poetry Wales Press Ltd.**

I enclose a cheque for £ _____

B. Card:

Please charge my credit card with £ _____

Name (as it appears on your card)

Expiry date ____ / ____ / ____

Card no: ____ / ____ / ____ / ____ / ____

Security code ____ - ____ - ____