



Ilkley Literature Festival 2015 Poetry & Short Story Competition

Prizes

Poetry	£200	Judge: TBC
Short Story	£200	Judge: TBC

The winning authors, plus runners up and commended writers will be invited to read at the Festival in October 2015.

In brief:

- Entries can be on any subject
- Poems should be not more than 30 lines
- Short stories should be up to 3,000 words
- **Closing date for receipt of entries: Friday 31 July 2015**
- Prize winners will be notified by Thursday 1 October 2015

Fees

The entry fee is **£5 per poem or £5 per story** (you can send as many entries as you like) payable by cheque made out to 'Ilkley Literature Festival'.

Postal entries from overseas can only be in cash (notes only, NO coins) - either US dollars or Euros at the current exchange rate. We regret that overseas cheques, money orders or drafts cannot be accepted.

Competition Rules

Eligibility

The competition is open to anyone, including non-UK applicants, over 18 years. Please note there is a separate poetry and short story competition for young people aged 12-18.

Entries must be entirely the work of the entrant and must never have been published, self-published, published on any website or online forum, broadcast nor won or been placed in any other competition (as at October 2015).

Entries submitted posthumously will not be eligible.

Entry Format

Entries **must be** accompanied by an **entry form - downloadable from the website** or send an SAE to the Festival office. Forms may be photocopied.

Please don't put your name or address on the entry. Write your name, address telephone number and email address (if any) **on the entry form** accompanying it.

Entries must be in English, typed, single sided, with the pages numbered and securely fastened. Each entry should be on a new sheet.

Entry Format Cont.

Stories to be double spaced with the word count noted at the end.

Poems to be single spaced.

Entries must have a title and must show no name, address or other identifying marks.

Entries will not be returned, please keep a copy.

No corrections can be made after receipt of your entry, or any fees refunded.

Please ensure that you use the correct postage.

Results

Prize winners will be notified by Thursday 1 October 2015 and invited to receive their prize and read their work in Ilkley during the 2015 Festival which runs from 2 -18 October.

The list of prize winners will be displayed on the website after 18 October 2015.

Copyright

Worldwide copyright of each entry remains with the author, but by entering the competition the entrant agrees that Ilkley Literature Festival will have the unrestricted right to publish the winning poems and stories, (including those of the runners up), on the Festival website or as 'posters', postcards and/or celebratory pamphlets for display and distribution during the Festival and the entrant waives his/her rights in relation to such publication to the extent that he/she is able to do so.

Judging

The judges' decision is final and no individual correspondence can be entered into.

Judges are unable to comment on individual entries.

Judging will be fair and unbiased. Experienced readers will assist the named judges in selecting the shortlists.

The organisers reserve the right to change the panel of judges without notice and not to award prizes if, in the opinion of the judges, such action is justified.

Please Note:

Entry implies acceptance of all the above rules.

Failure to comply with the entry requirements will result in disqualification.

Address for Entries

Send entries marked clearly 'Poetry and Short Story Competition' to:

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9 The Grove

Ilkley

West Yorkshire

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**ILKLEY LITERATURE FESTIVAL 2015
COMPETITION ENTRY FORM**

PLEASE PRINT OFF, COMPLETE AND SEND WITH ENTRY

Entry No.
(official use)

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

TITLE	Story/Poem?

I have read and agree to the competition rules

Signature:

Please tick here if you **DON'T** want to go
on our mailing list