

# 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PLEASURE ISLAND POETRY CONTEST

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## **WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?**

All students in grades K – 12 in Orange Beach and Gulf Shores.

## **PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED**

Prizes will be awarded on the basis of individual merit and grade level.

## **WINNERS WILL BE CHOSEN BASED ON THESE CRITERIA**

- Theme development
- Creative use of language
- Appeal to senses

Judges decisions are final.

## **WHEN IS THE ENTRY DEADLINE?**

The poems must be submitted on or before, Friday, March 31, 2023 by 6:00 p.m.

## **HOW DO YOU ENTER YOUR POEM?**

Your poem should be typed or printed on standard printer paper and must have an entry form attached. Entry forms are available at Orange Beach and Gulf Shores schools and public libraries as well as online. Return your entry to your library in person or by mail.

Orange Beach Public Library  
Poetry Contest  
P. O. Box 1649  
Orange Beach, AL 36561  
[www.orangebeachlibrary.org](http://www.orangebeachlibrary.org)  
251-981-2923

Thomas B. Norton Public Library  
Poetry Contest  
221 W 19<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Gulf Shores, AL 36542  
[www.gulfshoresal.gov/library](http://www.gulfshoresal.gov/library)  
251-968-1176

## 2023 POETRY CONTEST

### ENTRY FORM

To enter a Poem:

1. Carefully fill out this entry form. Please submit no more than three entries. The information on the form will be used to identify your entry and to notify winners. Ask your teacher or parent to check the form before you submit it.
2. Staple the completed entry form to the top of your poem. Please do not put your name on the poem. The judges need to be completely impartial.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

3. With permission, contest winners may have their poem shared on social media. Do you give permission to share your poem?  YES  NO
4. Take or mail your entry to Orange Beach Public Library or Gulf Shores Library on or before Friday, March 31, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

If you have questions about these instructions, please call Deanne Fincher, Youth Services Librarian at Thomas B. Norton Public Library, or Kaylen Bradberry, Children's Librarian at Orange Beach Public Library.