

IWMA Poetry Contest Rules & Application

Saturday - November 16, 2019
Hotel Albuquerque Alvarado Ballroom

This is a contest to judge individual poets' recitations. Poets must recite his/her original poem. Reading is not allowed.

You will have 1 ½ to 4 minutes in which to present your selection, including any introduction. Time will be called after four minutes. No exceptions.

You will be judged on the following criteria:

- **Rhyme** (*Avoiding slant rhymes*)
- **Meter** (*Adherence to uniform metrical pattern*)
- **Form** (*Uniformity of verse; consistent rhyming patterns*)
- **Theme** (*Appropriate Western theme, regardless of era*)
- **Value** (*Ethical, moral, principled*)
- **Delivery** (*Smooth flow of lines; inflection; diction; projection*)
- **Stage Presence** (*Interaction with audience; confidence, enthusiasm, attire*)

Registrant Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____ Country _____

Phone _____ Email _____

☐ OPEN ☐ INTERMEDIATE ☐ YOUTH (21 and under)

All entry forms must be received before November 1.

On-site entries will be on a space available basis. There is no entry fee for this contest.

Return this entry form to IWMA – P. O. Box 648 – Coppel, TX 75019 – info@westernmusic.org