



Cornwall Public Library's  
**TIMOTHY MUMFORD  
MEMORIAL  
POETRY COMPETITION**

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## **2020 POETRY COMPETITION RULES**

1. Entrants must be 5-18 years old.
2. **Authors may submit no more than two (2) poems, one poem per page.** If more than two are submitted, the library will select two *at random and as anonymously/fairly as possible* to submit to the judges for consideration.
3. The front of the page is **just for the poem**, the following information must be on the **back** of **each** original poem ***or*** on a separate page if sending a digital copy:
  - Entrant's full name
  - Age, Grade, School, or phrase "home schooled"
  - Home Address, including zip code
  - Contact Telephone Number
  - E-mail Address
4. Hard copy entries must be typed. Handwritten entries will not be accepted.
5. Entries submitted in a foreign language must include an English translation. Poems in a foreign language without a translation will be disqualified.
6. ***Please do not include illustrations with your poem. Pictures are not considered and make it difficult to copy the poems for the judges while maintaining anonymity of the poets to insure fair judging.***
7. Poems must be original work and may not be submitted without the poet's knowledge and consent. They may not be copied from any source. Poems found to be copied or plagiarized will be disqualified, along with any additional work submitted by that poet.
8. Poems will be judged in the following age categories, according to the age of the poet at the time their poem is submitted:

**Ages 5-6 ~ Ages 7-9 ~ Ages 10-12 ~ Ages 13-15 ~ Ages 16-18**

9. **Entries will be accepted through Thursday, March 28, 2018.** Late entries are not eligible and will not be held over to the following year. Entry submission info:

Email to: [corpoetry@rcls.org](mailto:corpoetry@rcls.org) **OR**  
Mail to: Cornwall Public Library  
Attn: Poetry Competition  
395 Hudson St., Cornwall, NY 12518 **OR**  
Drop off at the Library

**Awards Ceremony: Sunday, April 26th @ 1:30pm**  
**Library Community Room**