

Submission Guidelines & Eligibility

- Entries close at Monday, 16 June, 2025, 11:59PM (AEST).
- Open to Australian residents only
- Entrants must be 18 years of age or older at the time entries close. Entries from individuals under the age of 18 will not be accepted.
- Entries must be in English. Bilingual submissions are acceptable provided the poems are also written or translated into English by the entrant and provided alongside the original submission.
- Poets are to send up to three (maximum) poems in both word.doc and PDF versions. If more than three poems are sent, the extra poems will *not* be read by the judge.
- Entrants are eligible if they have never had a poem published in a literary journal, magazine, anthology, or book (including online or print), excluding self-published platforms (e.g. personal websites, blogs) or social media. Poems can have been performed or read at events, as long as they have not been published in written form. Entrants must complete the declaration form available in the Wufoo form confirming eligibility.
- Entrants who have previously published in another writing genre are eligible, as long as publication was not in poetry.
- Co-authored entries are not eligible for the award.
- First prize \$1,000. The winner will also receive a single, one-hour mentoring session with Claire Gaskin to prepare a single poem for publication on the AP website. There is no extra fee for this publication.
- The judge reserves the right not to award a prize.
- The judge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- All entries must be the sole, original work of the entrant. Submissions that have been generated or substantively created using generative artificial intelligence (AI) tools are not eligible and will be disqualified. By entering, entrants confirm that their submission is entirely their own work and has not been created with the assistance of AI.
- Entrants retain copyright of their work. By entering, entrants grant Australian Poetry the non-exclusive right to publish the winning poem on its website. Personal information collected through the Wufoo entry form will be used solely

for the purposes of administering this competition and will not be shared with third parties.

- There is no entry fee but entrants *must* be current Australian Poetry Subscribers. *If any entrants have financial or any other difficulties, and cannot Subscribe, please email Jennifer at associate@australianpoetry.org to discuss in confidence.*

How to Enter

- Go to the Wufoo link on the website to enter. Entries will be accepted only via the Wufoo form. If you're having issues accessing or submitting via Wufoo, or have any questions please contact Jennifer at associate@australianpoetry.org