

POETS' NIGHT OUT THE RULES

Rules for 2012: Please Read Carefully!

1. Poets of all ages are invited to enter their ORIGINAL poetry in the Poets' Night Out contest. Poetry will be accepted until Saturday, September 29, 2012 at the Traverse Area District Library Woodmere Branch. Mailed submissions need to be POSTMARKED no later than Wednesday September 26, 2012
2. Poets must live in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, or Wexford counties to enter. Be sure to record what county you are living in on the Submission Form.
3. For a \$10.00 submission fee, \$5.00 students/seniors (check or money order to TADL/ Friends) poets may submit up to three poems. Poems are limited to 32 lines per page, continue longer poems on another page. DO NOT submit more than a total of 96 lines or more than three poems.
4. Poems must be typewritten. Please do not put pictures with poems. HAND WRITTEN POEMS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.
5. Please give each poem a title.
6. Do not write your name on the poem.
7. Fill out and include one Submission Form with your poems.
8. Include 3 copies of each of your poems AND a self-addressed stamped envelope.
9. Poems will not be returned; please keep a copy of your poems.
10. Mail or drop off your entry to: Poets' Night Out / Traverse Area District Library / 610 Woodmere Ave / Traverse City MI 49686

Winning Poets will be asked to read their poem at Poets' Night Out, celebrated on Sunday, November 11, 2012 7:00 PM at the Traverse City Opera House, 106 East Front Street, Traverse City.

Winning poems will be published in a chapbook. One FREE chapbook will be given to poets with published poems. Additional chapbooks will be available for sale for \$5.00 the night of the poetry reading and afterward at the Traverse Area District Library Woodmere Branch. For more information visit our website at www.poetsnightout.org If you have any other questions, please e-mail info@poetsnightout.org or leave a message at 231-492-0654.