

2022 Eugene V. Shea National Poetry Contest Underway
By Nicholas Trandahl, Contest Chair

The annual WyoPoets Eugene V. Shea National Poetry Contest has opened for submissions!

Submit your finest unpublished poems for a chance at recognition and even a monetary prize. The contest is quite popular, and there are a lot of splendid entries from a diverse field of splendid poets. Hence, submissions that don't adhere to the guidelines will be rejected.

Good luck! I look forward to reading your submissions and handing them off to the fantastic judge that has signed on to pick winners and honorable mentions this year.

Guidelines

- **TIMELINE:** BEGINS: October 1, 2021. ENDS: Postmark deadline-December 31, 2021.
- **PRIZES:** 1st PLACE: \$100.00. 2nd PLACE: \$50.00. 3rd PLACE: \$30.00. Up to five Honorable Mentions, at the judge's discretion, will be awarded.
- **FEES:** ENTRY FEE: \$2.00 per poem submitted to contest (Example: 5 poems for \$10.00). Limit 20 poems total per person (this includes multiple submissions). Checks and money orders for physical submissions must be made out to WyoPoets.
- **SUBMISSION:**
 - Poems must be original and unpublished, written in English, and may be about any subject.
 - Photocopies accepted if clear and legible.
 - Poems must be titled.
 - Each poem must fit on one side of a single page.
 - Poems must be single-spaced, use black 12 pt. Times New Roman font, on 8.5x11-inch white paper with one-inch margins. No pornographic or discriminatory language. Simultaneous submissions permissible.
 - Submit two copies of each poem: one copy for the judge with no identification on it; one with name, mailing address, email address, and phone number in the upper right corner of each page.
 - Do not include author bios.
- **MAILING:** Send physical submissions with entry fee to Eugene V. Shea Contest, Attn: Nicholas Trandahl, PO Box 74, Upton, Wyoming 82730. Do not send entries that require a signature upon receiving.
- **INFORMATION:** Contact Nicholas Trandahl at nrtrandahl@gmail.com, visit <http://wyopoets.org/contests.html> or <https://www.facebook.com/WyoPoets/>
- **JUDGING:** Judging will be done by a qualified poet not affiliated with WyoPoets. Judge's decisions are final. Winners and Honorable Mentions will be invited to read their winning poems at the 2022 WyoPoets Spring Workshop. No entrant can win more than one monetary prize but can win additional Honorable Mentions. Contest entrants will be notified by email, at the email address included on the upper right corner of their submission.
- **RIGHTS:** All rights remain with the poet. No entries will be returned.
- **DISQUALIFICATIONS:** Not following the above guidelines will result in disqualification.