

**The New Zealand Poetry Society Inc  
2008 International Poetry Competition  
Open and Open Junior Sections: Instructions  
Competition closes 30 May 2008**

**Entry information**

- All entries are to be the original work of the entrant, and may not have been previously published, broadcast on radio or TV, or awarded any prize or payment.
- We do not classify poems appearing on author blogs or personal websites, or posted by the author to newsgroups or online workshops, as previously published. We *do* classify poems appearing in online or print magazines as previously published. If you are unsure about the publication standing of a particular poem, please query before submitting.
- The author's name must be recorded only on the entry form. Submissions bearing a name or any other form of identification on the poem page will be disqualified and entry fees will not be returned.
- Entries must be in English and typed or very clearly written on one side only of the page, one poem per page.
- Number of entries is unlimited. Poems may be up to 40 lines.
- Please enclose two copies of each poem, each on a separate sheet of paper.
- Entries will not be returned but will be destroyed, so please keep a copy.
- Poems must not be submitted elsewhere before 1 September 2008, by which time entrants will be notified if their poems have won or been accepted for publication in our anthology.
- Entry constitutes acceptance of all terms herein.

**Open Section Prizes:** 1<sup>st</sup> prize NZ\$500, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize NZ\$200, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize NZ\$100.  
**Entry fee** is NZ\$5 per poem; NZ\$4 per poem for NZPS members.

**Open Junior Section Prizes** (Open only to entrants who are 17 years of age or younger on 30 May 2008.) Primary/Intermediate: 1<sup>st</sup> prize NZ\$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize NZ\$50; Secondary: 1<sup>st</sup> prize NZ\$200, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize NZ\$100, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize NZ\$50  
**Entry fee** is NZ\$2 per poem. Please do not send coins; you can send 4 x 50c stamps per poem.

Overseas entries are welcomed in both sections.

**Fees** may be paid by cheque, in cash, or by IRC (worth NZ\$2 each, available from post offices). Overseas entrants may pay the NZ\$ equivalent in their own currency (see [www.xe.com](http://www.xe.com) for exchange rate). Please do not send coins of any currency. No change or overpayments of less than \$5 will be refunded.

**Results** will be published in our bimonthly magazine, posted on our website, emailed by request, or enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope (SSAE) with your entry.

**Publication:** All poems entered must be made available for publication in an anthology to be published by the NZPS in November 2008. Entrants will be notified by 1 September 2008 if their poems have won or been accepted for publication. **NZPS has the right of first publication of all poems accepted for the anthology.**

**Promotion:** Winners consent to the use of their poems for promotional purposes by the NZPS including but not limited to our website, brochure, and magazine.

**Copyright** in individual poems will remain with the poet, but copyright in any book produced by The New Zealand Poetry Society Inc will remain with the NZPS.

**Questions?** email [competition@poetrysociety.org.nz](mailto:competition@poetrysociety.org.nz) or visit [www.poetrysociety.org.nz](http://www.poetrysociety.org.nz).