

Hengistbury Head Poetry Competition 2015

Do you enjoy poetry?
Do you love Hengistbury Head?

We are looking for poems about your experiences and memories of Hengistbury Head, its landscapes and views, its flora and fauna, its history and people.



Join us for our launch event 21 March 2.00-4.00pm (World Poetry Day), followed by Literary Landscapes on 18th April with Bournemouth Poet Laureate James Manlow.

The competition is FREE to enter and is open to all ages. See overleaf for details. A selection of entered poems will be exhibited at the Centre between 3 and 17 June. Closing date for

entries: 22 May 2015.

Competition Rules: General

1. The competition is open to all, in three age categories: Adult (18+); Teen (13-17); Child (12 and under).
2. The closing date for the competition is 4pm on 22 May 2015.
3. There is no charge for entering the competition.
4. Three poems maximum to be entered per person.
5. Entries must be accompanied by a completed entry form (forms may be photocopied). One entry form may cover multiple entries.
6. Entries cannot be returned so please keep a copy.
7. Poems cannot be altered once submitted.
8. If you would like confirmation that your postal entry has been received, please include a stamped addressed envelope/postcard with your entry. Entries made via e-mail will receive an e-mail of confirmation.
9. Telephone confirmation of receipt is not available.
10. The judges' decision is final and the judges will not enter into any correspondence.

Competition Rules: Poems

11. Each poem will be judged separately on its own merits.
12. All entries are judged anonymously.
13. The poet's name and address must not appear on the poems entered, nor any other marks that could identify you.
14. All poems must have a title and must not exceed 50 lines in length (excluding title).
15. Entries must have Hengistbury Head, its wildlife, flora, landscapes, views, people, history, people's memories or experiences of the Head, as the theme.
16. Poems must be the original work of the entrant, and must be written in English.
17. Poems entered must not have been published, self-published, published on a website, broadcast or featured among the winners in another competition.
18. Entries should be typed and printed in black ink on white A4 paper (for postal entries) at a minimum type size of 12pt. Poems may span two pages but pages must not be double-sided. Please do not staple pages. Handwritten entries will be accepted but must be clearly written and legible.
19. Finalists will be notified by 6 June, and will be announced publicly, and prizes awarded, at an event at Hengistbury Head on 13 June.

Any questions?

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