

# COUNTY OF PICKENS

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## **Celebrate National Poetry Month by entering the Pickens County Library System's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry Contest!**

April is National Poetry Month and in celebration, poets of all ages are invited to submit an original poem to the Pickens County Library System's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry Contest. Entries will be accepted from March 1<sup>st</sup> - March 31<sup>st</sup> at any Pickens County Library location or electronically at maryb@pickens.lib.sc.us. Prizes will be awarded in three age categories: youth (up to age 11), teens (ages 12-18), and adults (ages 19 and up). Submissions may be in any style.

Once again, we will award an additional prize in honor of the late Dot Jackson: The Dot Jackson Memorial Prize. Submissions for this prize are required to be in the narrative form.

Published author and poet, Thomas L. Johnson, will select a winner from each category. Winners will be announced and prizes will be given at an Awards Ceremony on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 2pm at the Hampton Memorial Library in Easley. Winners will receive \$50 cash thanks to the Birchwood Center, an official sponsor of The Poetry Contest again this year.

Entries may be no longer than 36 lines of poetry on one (8.5 x 11") page. Each entry **MUST** include the author's name, age, and contact information (phone number, mailing address, and/or email address). **Entries missing information or received after March 31<sup>st</sup> will be removed from the contest. Only one entry per person is permitted, unless you are submitting for your age category, as well as the Dot Jackson Memorial Prize. Two separate submissions are permitted in this case, but please indicate which entry is intended for the Dot Jackson category.**

For more information, please call the library at 864-850-7077.

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at any Pickens County Library location, or electronically to [maryb@pickens.lib.sc.us](mailto:maryb@pickens.lib.sc.us).

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**Youth: up to age 11, Teen: ages 12-18, Adult: ages 19 and up**

will be chosen by published author and poet, Thomas L. Johnson.

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**Saturday, April 28 at 2pm**

**Hampton Memorial Library, Easley**

