

Poets & Writers

The Amy Award

Application Guidelines

**PLEASE REVIEW GUIDELINES CAREFULLY;
INCORRECTLY SUBMITTED MANUSCRIPTS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**

The Amy Award celebrates promising young women poets from the New York City area. The Amy Award was established in 1995 by Paula Trachtman and Edward Butscher of East Hampton, New York, in memory of Ms. Trachtman's daughter, Amy Rothholz, an actor and poet. Poets & Writers has presented the Award since 2005.

Eligibility

The contest is open to poets who are:

- Women
- Age 30 or under as of June 1, 2017
- Residents of the NYC metro area*

Winners will be asked to provide verification of age and residency.

Employees of Poets & Writers, Inc. are not eligible.

Award

Up to three winners will be selected. They will be contacted via telephone or e-mail and names of winners will be posted on pw.org. Each winner will receive:

- An invitation to read at the awards presentation and reception in New York City in autumn 2017
- An honorarium
- A one-year subscription to Poets & Writers Magazine and a selection of poetry books

Submission Requirements

To enter, please send:

- Application (which follows)
- Three lyric poems (each 50 lines or fewer)

Your name should not appear anywhere on the poems.

Send your application by e-mail to:

amyaward@pw.org

PDF files are strongly preferred; Word documents also accepted; other file formats will not be opened.

E-mail applications are preferred. Alternatively, applications may be sent by regular mail to:

The Amy Award
Poets & Writers, Inc.
90 Broad Street
Suite 2100
New York, NY 10004

Poets & Writers will acknowledge e-mail submissions with an electronic confirmation. If you plan to submit by regular mail and would like Poets & Writers to acknowledge receipt of your manuscript, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard.

Manuscripts will not be returned.

The Deadline is June 1.

**E-mailed entries must be submitted by
June 1, 2017.**

**Mailed entries must be postmarked by
June 1, 2017.**

(* The NYC metro area is defined to include the five boroughs of New York City and the following counties: Nassau, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk, and Westchester (NY); Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, and Union (NJ); and Pike (PA).

Application

Contact information

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Alternate telephone _____

E-mail address _____

Best way to contact you _____

Birth date _____

*(The 2017 contest is open to women poets born **after** June 1, 1986.)*

Titles of works submitted

(Please submit three lyric poems, each 50 lines or fewer.)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Biography

(Please provide a brief biography of 250 words or fewer.)