

## PSV MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The Society invites you to join our association of writers and lovers of poetry. To join, complete this application and send it with your dues check made out to Poetry Society of Virginia to:

Poetry Society of Virginia (Treasurer)  
11161 Guilford Rd.  
Richmond, VA 23235

Or, you may send it to the Contest with your contest entries. NOTE: Do NOT send contest entries to the Treasurer.

**Membership is not required to enter the open categories of the contest. Contest fees are waived for members.**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip + 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Dues schedule:

Membership (except Lifetime memberships) includes all members at a single address. Please circle desired membership category.

Membership Category	One Year	Two Years	Three Years
Basic	\$ 30	\$ 50	\$ 65
Contributing	\$ 35	\$ 69	\$102
Lifetime (member and spouse) \$300 one time			
Virginia Student	\$ 10	Tell us your school & graduation year.	
Virginia Classroom	\$ 10	Address must be to a teacher at a school address.	

If you wish, tell us a bit about yourself and your poetry on a separate sheet of paper.

## RULES FOR 2011 CONTEST

1. Entries not in compliance will be disqualified. No exceptions.
2. Entries must be typed. Use white 8.5 x 11 inch paper and standard fonts no larger than 14 pt.
3. All entries must be in English, original, unpublished, and not scheduled for publication before April, 2012. Author retains copyright. Poems that have previously won a monetary award in a PSV contest are ineligible.
4. Only one poem may be submitted per category. Only one category may be entered per poem.
5. Submit two copies of each poem. Both copies must have the category name and number on top left of page. Only one copy must have poet's name, address, e-mail address if any, and phone number on top right of page, as well as membership status in the PSV.
6. Entries must be postmarked between Nov.1, 2011, and Jan. 19, 2012, and must include entered poems and any fees required from non-members. Entries will NOT be accepted by e-mail, special delivery, certified, registered, FedEx, or UPS.
7. Non-members entry fee: \$4.00 per poem. Checks should be made out to: The Poetry Society of Virginia.
8. Send all entries in one envelope. Please write a single check to cover all entered contest categories. If you are joining the PSV, your separate dues check allows you to waive non-member entry fees.
9. If you wish to join the Society, you may send your separate dues check and application along with your entries to the Contest. Do NOT send contest entries by e-mail.
10. Entries will be recycled, not returned.
11. Winning entries will be announced at the Society's Awards meeting April 21, 2012 in Richmond.
12. Winners' names will be posted on the PSV website. If you do not want your name posted, write "Do Not Post" with your address.



# The Poetry Society of Virginia

## Annual Adult Contest

DEADLINE: JANUARY 19, 2012 (postmark)  
Edgar Allan Poe's Birthday  
(Entries received after FEBRUARY 1, 2012 will not be included.)

Mail entries to:  
PSV Adult Contest  
11594 Hume Road  
Hume, VA 22639-1806

Contest entries can NOT be accepted by e-mail.

### ABOUT THE POETRY SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA

Founded at the College of William and Mary in 1923, the Poetry Society of Virginia is the second oldest State Poetry organization in the nation. The PSV has over 300 members from all areas of the Commonwealth, as well as members from other states and foreign countries.

Elected Vice Presidents represent each of five regions and host at least one state-wide meeting a year. Our meetings include regional events, guest poets, workshops, open readings and contests. The annual festival features readings, workshops, and scholarly presentations.

The Newsletter includes details about upcoming meetings, book reviews, contest announcements, regional news, and publishing opportunities.

Our website [www.PoetrySocietyOfVirginia.org](http://www.PoetrySocietyOfVirginia.org), provides additional information about the Society and links to other websites of interest to members.

1. **EDGAR ALLAN POE MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by The Poetry Society of Virginia)  
Any form. Any subject. 48 line limit.  
Award: \$100

**ENDOWED SPONSORSHIPS:**

2. **SARAH LOCKWOOD MEMORIAL**  
Any subject. Sonnet in rhyme and meter.  
Award: \$250
3. **BESS GRESHAM MEMORIAL**  
Any form. Subject: gardens. 48 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20
4. **CARLETON DREWRY MEMORIAL**  
Lyric or sonnet. Subject: mountains. 48 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20
5. **BRODIE HERNDON MEMORIAL**  
Any form. Subject: the sea. 48 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20
6. **NANCY BYRD TURNER MEMORIAL**  
Sonnet. Any subject. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20
7. **JUDAH, SARAH, GRACE, AND TOM MEMORIAL**  
Any form. Subject: encouraging reflection on inter-ethnic relations. 48 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20
8. **CENIE H. MOON PRIZE**  
Any form. Subject: a woman or women.  
48 line limit. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20
9. **HANDY ANDY PRIZE**  
Limerick. Awards: \$25, \$15, \$10
10. **ADA SANDERSON MEMORIAL**  
Any form. Subject: nature. 48 line limit.  
Award: \$100
11. **CHARLOTTE WISE MEMORIAL**  
Any form. Subject: America's heritage or culture.  
64 line limit. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

**INDIVIDUAL SPONSORSHIPS:**

12. **THE ADAGIO PRIZE**  
(Sponsored by Judith Bragg & Helen Eano)  
Poem or song lyric in American blues tradition. Any form. 48 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20
13. **ELIZABETH NEUWIRTH MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by Claudia Gary)  
Iambic pentameter. Subject: a specific work of art other than poetry (identify the work in title or poem, or in an epigraph.) 48 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

14. **LAURA DAY BOGGS BOLLING MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by her children, Alma, Flora, & Glade)  
Any rhymed or unrhymed form. Poem written by an adult for school-age children, ages 10-12 years. 20 line limit. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

15. **MIRIAM RACHIMI MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by Ben and Michal Mahgerefteh)  
Any form. Subject: the spiritual impact of losing (or almost losing) a loved one. 48 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

16. **THE ROBERT S. SERGEANT MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by Amber, Alyssa, & Annika Jenkins in memory of their teacher and poetry mentor)  
Any form. Subject: Birds. 48 line limit.  
Award: \$50

17. **JOE PENDLETON CAMPBELL MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by Paula Savoy)  
Narrative poem. Any form. Any subject.  
64 line limit. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

18. **VIBRANT VILLANELLE AWARD**  
(Sponsored by Susan and Joe Metz)  
Traditional villanelle. Subject: lively celebration of being a poet. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

19. **COME OUT SWINGING PRIZE**  
(Sponsored by H. Fairfax Conquest)  
Lyrics for a song. Any subject. Any rhythm.  
No musical score. 50 line limit.  
Awards: \$100, \$75, \$25

20. **MARCO POLO TRAVEL POEM AWARD**  
(Sponsored by Peter H. Desmond, in honor of Jean H. Desmond.) Any form. Poem about travel.  
60 line limit. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

21. **RAYMOND LEVI HAISLIP MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by Otis L. Haislip, Jr.)  
Any form. Subject: celebrating technology. 48 line limit. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

22. **FRANK CRADDOCK MEMORIAL/ SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA MOUNTAIN AWARD**  
(Sponsored by friends of Frank Craddock)  
Any form. Subject: life and/or culture of the Southwestern Virginia mountains. 64 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

23. **THE ANNE SPENCER MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by: The Poetry Society of Virginia)  
Any form. Subject: overcoming adversity.  
64 line limit. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

24. **RITA DURRANT PRIZE**  
(Sponsored by Williamsburg Poetry Guild)  
Only open to poets who have never received a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> prize in any PSV contest. Any form.  
Any subject. 48 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

25. **HONORING FATHERHOOD AWARD**  
(Sponsored by Bill & Michelle O'Hearn, in honor of Theodore Tomala, Jr.) Any form.  
Subject: honoring Fathers and/or their sacrifices.  
48 line limit. Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

26. **JOE AWAD FORMAL POETRY MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by Doris Awad & family)  
Forms other than free verse (for example, sestina, ballad, blank verse, rhyming couplets, pantoum, terza rima, ottava rima, etc.). Indicate form on entry. Any subject. 48 line limit or form line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

27. **HAIKU AWARD**  
(Sponsored by Patsy Anne Bickerstaff & Guy Terrell) Series of 3-4 haiku on a single theme.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

**POETRY SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA MEMBERS ONLY:**

28. **EMMA GRAY TRIGG MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by endowment & PSV)  
Lyric Poem. Any subject. 64 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

29. **KARMA DEANE OGDEN MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by endowment & PSV)  
Any form. Any subject. 48 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

**VIRGINIA RESIDENTS ONLY:**

30. **A POEM WITH A POINT OF VIEW**  
(Sponsored by Angela Anselmo)  
Any form. Any subject that inspires the writer to express his or her strong or particular feelings.  
48 line limit. Award: \$50

31. **LORETTA DUNN HALL MEMORIAL**  
(Sponsored by Phyllis Hall Haislip)  
Any form. Subject: family. 24 line limit.  
Awards: \$50, \$30, \$20

