# 15. OLGA BLAUS MEMORIAL AWARD

SUBJECT: Something Beautiful

FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 30 Lines

\$10 \$5 PRIZES: \$15 SPONSOR: Beverley Barnes

### 16. THOMAS SCOTT, SR. MEMORIAL AWARD

SUBJECT: Constancy FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 \$10 \$5 SPONSOR: Elayne M. Neal

### 17. ROSE M. GRASSO MEMORIAL AWARD

SUBJECT: Risking it All FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 30 Lines

\$5 PRIZES: \$15

SPONSOR: Renee Pike

### 18. WATERFRONT CREW POETS AWARD

SUBJECT: Numbers FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 24 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 SPONSOR: Waterfront CREW Poets

### 19. SANDSTAR AWARD

SUBJECT: Special People (NOT celebrities)

FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 \$10

SPONSOR: P.J. Roberts Memorial Fund

### 20. THE BARDS OF LOUDEN AWARD

SUBJECT: Work

FORM: Any traditional rhymed form (state form on poem)

LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 \$10 SPONSOR: The Bards of Louden

# 21. WAR AND PEACE

SUBJECT: War and Peace FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 \$10 SPONSOR: Frederick Hinchliffe II

#### 22. HOKANSON AWARD

SUBJECT: Nature FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

\$10 \$5 PRIZES: \$15 SPONSOR: Sandy & Jamie Hokanson

### 23. NORTH SHORE POETS FORUM AWARD

SUBJECT: I Gotta Be Me FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 \$10

SPONSOR: North Shore Poets Forum Fund

#### 24. ROBERTA HUNG AWARD

SUBJECT: Curiosity FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 30 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 \$10 \$5 SPONSOR: Roberta Hung

#### 25. MADELINE ELIZABETH DEVEAU MEM'L AWARD

SUBJECT: Poet's Choice FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 \$10 \$5 SPONSOR: Jeanette C. Maes

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# **CONTEST**

2019

# **NATIONAL POETRY DAY**

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## **RULES**

- 1. **DEADLINE**: August 1, 2019. Entries must be postmarked by August 1, 2019.
- 2. ENTRY FEE: for entire contest \$15 for NON-MEMBERS \$10 for M.S.P.S. MEMBERS.

Fee covers one or all categories.

- 3. Entries must be the poet's *original* work.
- 4. Poems must be *unpublished* and *not* entered currently in any other contest.
- 5. Poems must have *not* won a prize in *any* contest.
- 6. Prize money received for disqualified poems must be returned.
- 7. All poems (except haiku) must be titled.
- 8. Only **ONE** poem may be entered in each category and **NO** poem may be entered in more than one category.
- 9. Poems must be typed (minimum 12 pt.) on 8-1/2" x 11" white paper. NO ILLUSTRATIONS. Send one original and one copy as follows: ON BOTH COPIES: Put contest number and name of contest in upper LEFT-HAND corner. ON DUPLICATE ONLY: Put poet's name, street & email address/phone # in upper RIGHT-HAND corner.
- 10. Only one prize for each contest entered.
- 11. No poem will be returned. Non-winning poems will be destroyed after the contest.
- 12. Only 3 prizes per categories. No ties.

# MAIL ALL ENTRIES AND FEE TO:

Massachusetts State Poetry Society, Inc. Roberta Hung, Contest Chair 22 Salisbury Rd. Wakefield, MA 01880

Only those who enclose a SASE will receive a Winners' List. Entries that do not follow the above RULES & FORMAT will be disqualified.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: M.S.P.S., INC.

### 1. LOUISE BOGAN CONTEST

SUBJECT: A Special Aunt, Uncle or other Relative

FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$50 \$30 \$20 SPONSOR: MaryEllen Letarte

# 2. AMY L. DENGLER MEMORIAL AWARD

SUBJECT: Flying (in remembrance of Amy's FORM: Poet's Choice career as a flight attendant)

LINE LIMIT: 30 Lines

PRIZES: \$50 \$20 \$10 SPONSOR: Amy Dengler Fund

### 3. MENTAL HEALTH AWARD

SUBJECT: Mental Health Issues

FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$30 \$20 \$10 SPONSOR: Susan Piccole

### 4. JEAN TUPPER AWARD

SUBJECT: Mothers and Daughters

FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 30 Lines

PRIZES: \$25 \$20 \$15

SPONSOR: Jean Tupper

# 5. MARY WINKLEBLECK MEMORIAL AWARD

SUBJECT: Poet's Choice FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$25 \$15 \$10 SPONSOR: Barbara Blanks

# 6. ROBERT & FRANCES SPAITH MEMORIAL AWARD

SUBJECT: Pets

FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$25 \$15 \$10 SPONSOR: Rose Ann Spaith

#### 7. BASHŌ BASH

SUBJECT: Poet's Choice

FORM: Haiku (no title, no "ing" words)

LINE LIMIT: 3 Lines (3rd line must have "aha" change of tone)

PRIZES: \$20 \$15 \$10 SPONSOR: Christina Laurie

### 8. DANA BRUCE MOWER MEMORIAL AWARD

SUBJECT: God is Everywhere

FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$25 \$10 \$5 SPONSOR: Gail Devine Mower

### 9. RANDOLPH AWARD

SUBJECT: Naming a Child FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 20 Lines

PRIZES: \$20 \$15 \$5 SPONSOR: Gwendolyn Carr

# 10. HOLDEN KENNEALLY AWARD

SUBJECT: Grandparents FORM: Meter & Rhyme LINE LIMIT: 24 Lines

PRIZES: \$20 \$10 \$5

SPONSOR: Alan Friot

## 11. L. JOSEPHINE AWARD

SUBJECT: Teachers FORM: Meter & Rhyme LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$20 \$10 \$5

SPONSOR: Alan Friot

## 12. LOUISE SULLIVAN AWARD

SUBJECT: Siblings FORM: Meter & Rhyme LINE LIMIT: 40 Lines

PRIZES: \$20 \$10 \$5

SPONSOR: Alan Friot

# 13. CELEBRATION OF LIFE AWARD

SUBJECT: Humor FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 30 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 \$10 \$5 SPONSOR: Beverley Barnes

### 14. JAMES L. BARNES MEMORIAL AWARD

SUBJECT: Traveling FORM: Poet's Choice LINE LIMIT: 30 Lines

PRIZES: \$15 \$10 \$5 SPONSOR: Beverley Barnes