



Young People's Laureate for London Poetry Awards Terms and Conditions

1. The awards are open to London-based poets aged from 13 to 25-years-old on the date of the submission deadline Tuesday **2 May 2017, 5pm**. Proof of age and residency may be requested from award winners.
2. Entries from poets aged 17-years-old and under must be signed off by an adult.
3. Written poems must be no longer than 40 lines. Spoken word videos must be no longer than three minutes long.
4. All entries must be accompanied by an online entry form or postal entry form.
5. No more than one poem per poet, please. If more than one poem is submitted, only the first poem received will be considered.
6. Poets can only enter individually and not part of as a team. Poems must be entirely your own original work.
7. The work must not infringe the copyright or any other rights of any third party and it must not be defamatory of any living person or corporate body.
8. The Prizes will be £75 of Waterstones vouchers for the winning entry from the 13 – 17 year old category. The 18 – 25 year old category

winner will receive £75 cash and a place at Caleb Femi's Poetry Lab at the Roundhouse in Camden on 10 June 2017. Up to five additional poets from 18 – 25 year old category will be awarded a place at the Poetry Lab day.

9. Award winners will be informed of the judge's final decision via email in the week beginning 22 May 2017. The winners and runners up will agree to any reasonable request by Spread the Word to fulfil marketing obligations relating to the competition and their own entries.
10. Spread the Word will publish the winning entries on its website. Copyright of the poems will remain with the writers.
11. Unfortunately, we cannot return entries submitted by post.
12. Employees or Trustees of Spread the Word or any close family members of the judge are not permitted to enter.
13. Caleb Femi will be judging the competition, and his decisions on the best poems are final and no correspondence will be entered into.
14. Neither Spread the Word or Caleb Femi are not able to provide feedback to entrants due to the volume of entries received.
15. These terms and conditions are the Competition Rules. Submission of an entry will be taken to mean acceptance of these terms and conditions.