



# The Skylark Prize

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In memory of author John Bennett (1865-1956), a founder of the Poetry Society.

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The Poetry Society of South Carolina offers a cash prize of \$500 for a poem written by a student enrolled in a high school English program in South Carolina, courses English 1 to English 4 or an English elective. The winning poem is published in the Society's yearbook, and the winner will be invited to read the poem at a meeting of the PSSC where the poet and the teacher will be honored.

1. The poem is not to exceed thirty-six lines, including stanza breaks.
2. Text single spaced.
3. Must be original and submitted in standard 12-point type.
4. The entry includes the poem with the title at the top of the page.
5. The author's name must **not** appear on the page since the judging is anonymous.
6. Title of the poem, names of the author, the teacher, school and the principal, along with email addresses for each, will be placed on the submissions page.
7. The subject matter must be appropriate for reading to a general audience.
8. Publication in a school magazine or newspaper does not render a poem ineligible.
9. We strongly recommend students read and study poems written by past winners, as well as "Ten Tips for Writers," printed on our web site.

Submissions must be dated no later than **15 February**.

Submit any questions to [anniop@bellsouth.net](mailto:anniop@bellsouth.net) with "Skylark Contest" in subject line.