



Let the Voices of our Younger Poets be Heard

Parents, grandparents, and mentors, if you know of a young poet, grade three through college, in your family or at home, it is time to submit his or her poems to the annual Student Contests offered by the North Carolina Poetry Society.

Winning entries receive cash awards, students receive framed certificates, and all award-winning poems will be published in the spring issue of NCPS *Pinesong* anthology sent to poets throughout the state. *Pinesong* is available both in print and permanently online in the NCPS archives.

We sponsor four contests for North Carolina students:

Sherry Pruitt Award Contest, for students grades 9-12 and undergraduates (any topic)

Mary Chilton Award Contest, for students grades 6-8 (any topic)

Joan Scott Award Contest, for students grades 3-8 (environmental themes)

Travis Tuck Jordan Contest, for students grades 3-5 (any topic)

There is no fee to enter. All entries must be postmarked by February 1st. See specific guidelines on the NCPS website (link below), including application form and instructions on mailing. Grandparents, parents, and mentors, allow the voices of our future poets to sing out to us all. This year of all years, we truly want to hear from you!

Questions? For a complete list of all the contest rules visit:

www.ncpoetrysociety.org/studentcontests/ or write to Jonathan Giles, Student Contest Coordinator at jgiles0704@gmail.com