



15th Annual

2017 Ipswich Poetry Feast

TOTAL PRIZE VALUE OF
MORE THAN \$6500

COMPETITION CATEGORIES

	1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Total
Age 5 - 7 years	\$50	\$30	\$20	\$100
Age 8 - 10 years	\$100	\$60	\$40	\$200
Age 11 - 13 years	\$120	\$80	\$50	\$250
Age 14 - 15 years	\$150	\$90	\$60	\$300
Age 16 - 17 years	\$250	\$150	\$100	\$500
Open Age - Bush Poetry	\$600	\$250	\$150	\$1000
Open Age - Other Poetry	\$600	\$250	\$150	\$1000
Open Age - Local Poets	\$600	\$250	\$150	\$1000
Local Poets defined as: live, work or attend an educational institution in the Ipswich City Council region				
Open Age - Picture Ipswich	\$300	\$175	\$125	\$600

Theme

Poems submitted in this category must reflect an image from the Picture Ipswich website
Picture.Ipswich.qld.gov.au

OTHER PRIZES AND AWARDS

Medallions for first place winners in each of the above categories

Babies of Walloon Statuette for overall winner in the Open Age categories

Highly Commended (multiple awards in each category) \$700

Chairperson's Encouragement Awards \$150

Chairperson's School Award \$150

TOTAL PRIZE VALUE \$6500

International Poetry Writing Competition

INTRODUCTION

The Ipswich Poetry Feast is an exciting initiative of Ipswich City Council, supported and driven by the local community. The Poetry Feast was introduced in 2002 with the aim of establishing a respected and prestigious national poetry competition to:

- Encourage young and aspiring poets
- Raise community awareness of the creativity and skills in poetry writing
- Promote and showcase Ipswich as a vibrant, culturally rich region.

BACKGROUND

In the latter part of the 19th century two young children, Bridget and Mary Broderick, drowned at a waterhole that lies in the township of Walloon. This tragic event was the subject of a poem penned by Henry Lawson in the 1890's titled *The Babies of Walloon*. The impetus for the Ipswich Poetry Feast came from this tragedy and poem.

SHOWCASING OUR TALENT AND CITY

Since its inception, the Ipswich Poetry Feast has grown and flourished. It proudly incorporates an International Poetry Writing Competition, Official Launch, Poetry Writing Workshops, Poets' Breakfast and Awards Presentation.

For further information on the Ipswich Poetry Feast visit the website: www.ipswichpoetryfeast.com.au

Opening date: 26 March 2017

Closing date:

28 July 2017 at 5.00 pm

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15th Annual Ipswich Poetry Feast International Poetry Competition 2017 Entry Form

First Name:		Surname:	
Address:			
Town/City:		State:	Postcode:
Phone number:		Email Address:	
School Name: (only if submitted by school)		School Contact Name & Phone Number:	
School Address:			
City:		State:	Postcode:

Title of Entry:

Please enter my poem in the following category of the Ipswich Poetry Feast: (please tick appropriate box)

FREE ENTRY - (under 18yrs)	ENTRY FEE - \$5.00 PER ENTRY
<input type="checkbox"/> Age 5-7 years of age	<input type="checkbox"/> Open Age - Bush Poetry
<input type="checkbox"/> Age 8-10 years of age	<input type="checkbox"/> Open Age - Other Poetry
<input type="checkbox"/> Age 11-13 years of age	<input type="checkbox"/> Open Age - Local Poets
<input type="checkbox"/> Age 14-15 years of age	<input type="checkbox"/> Open Age - Picture Ipswich Theme
<input type="checkbox"/> Age 16-17 years of age	
Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____	

NB Age as at closing date (28 July 2017) **Cheque or money order made payable to Ipswich City Council**

I certify that this is the original work of the entrant and that I have read and understood the guidelines and conditions of entry below.
 I give permission for the Ipswich Poetry Feast Committee to broadcast or publish, without fee to the author, in part or in whole, award winning or commended entries and photographs on the website, in an anthology and/or in media publications or broadcasts. I also give permission for my contact details and any photographs taken at Ipswich Poetry Feast events to be given to the media, if among the winners.

Name: (please print) _____

Signature of Entrant: _____ (Parent or guardian to sign for entrants under 18.)

Ipswich City Council is collecting your personal information so that we can process your request. We will not disclose your personal information outside of Council unless we are required by law or you have given your consent. By completing and signing this form, we will consider that you have given us your consent to manage your personal information in this collection notice. For further information on how Council manages personal information go to:
http://www.ipswich.qld.gov.au/about_council/corporate_publications/privacy ; this information is also available in hardcopy at our Library branches.

ENTRIES CLOSE 5.00 PM FRIDAY 28 July 2017

Submissions and Entry Fees to be sent to: Ipswich Poetry Feast Competition, C/- Ipswich City Council, Ipswich Central Library, PO Box 191, Ipswich Q 4305

Guidelines and Conditions of Entry

Conditions:

- All entries must be received by 5.00 pm on Friday 28 July 2017. No late entries will be accepted.
- Each entry must be the entrant's/author's original work. Any plagiarised content will automatically disqualify the poet from the competition.
- Each entry must be submitted in the English language, not previously published for individual profit or having won a major prize in any literary competition at time of entry.
- There is no word limit.
- Poems may be on any subject and may be entered in more than one category (fee applies for each entry in Open Age categories).
- No name or other identifying material should appear on the poem. Poems will be judged anonymously.
- In the Open Age Bush Poetry Category the following definition applies: Australian bush poetry with good rhyme and meter which is written about Australia, its people, places, things and way of life.
- In the Open Age Local Poets Category the following condition of entry applies: entrants must live, work or attend an educational institution within the boundaries of Ipswich City Council
- In the Open Age Picture Ipswich Theme Category poems must be based on, and accompanied by, the relevant image from the Picture Ipswich website. Picture Ipswich is a collection of historical photographs and documents that record the lives and times of Ipswich from early settlement to the present day. Picture.Ipswich.qld.gov.au
- \$5 fee per entry payable to Ipswich City Council for Open Age categories. Free entry in 5-17 years of age categories.
- Open age international entrants must submit entries via online entry form, using a credit card for fee. International cheques will not be accepted.

For Printed Entries:

- One entry form per poem. Entrant to supply two copies of poem.
- Entries to be typed or computer printed in Arial 12pt on one side of A4 white paper.
- All pages must be numbered in sequence - ie 1 of 2, 2 of 2.
- Submissions will not be returned. It is the responsibility of the writer to keep a copy.

For Online Open Age Entries:

- Payments to be made with a credit card or PayPal account at the time of submission of entry.

Judging and Notification:

- Judges' decisions are final.
- Judges reserve the right to transfer poems between categories in the Open Bush and Open Other section where deemed appropriate.
- Winners will be contacted prior to the Awards Presentation event proposed for 13 October 2017. Winners will be announced, first prize winning poems (or an excerpt of these poems) will be professionally read, and prizes presented (where possible) at this event. Prizes will be mailed if winner cannot attend in person.
- The committee reserves the right to publish or broadcast, without fee to the author, in part or in whole, award winning or commended entries and photographs on the website, in an anthology and/or in media publications or broadcasts. Copyright remains with the author thereafter.
- The committee also reserves the right to give entrants' contact details to the media, if among the winners.
- Results will be published following the Awards Presentation, and will be posted shortly thereafter on the Ipswich Poetry Feast website at ipswichpoetryfeast.com.au