

The New Poets Prize
Conditions of Entry

- There is a standard fee of £8 for each entry submitted.
- You may submit as many collections as you wish.
- Your real name must not appear anywhere on the manuscript. Choose a pen name and a title for your collection, and write both on every page.
- Postal entries must be postmarked on or before 1st March.
- Online entries can be submitted up until midnight on 1st March.
- Entries sent by post must be accompanied by a completed entry form. (Online entrants complete the 'uploads form' at www.poetrybusiness.co.uk.)
- We ask for small collections of 12 pages of poems. Poems may be of any length. A long poem may take several pages. More than one poem may be printed on a single page.
- The poems should be for adults, in English, and typed on one side only of A4. As a guide, we recommend you use 12pt Times New Roman font.
- Poems may have been published elsewhere, but must not have previously appeared as a published collection.
- Copyright remains with the authors but The Poetry Business reserves the right to first UK publication of the collection for 12 months from publication. (This doesn't prevent publication elsewhere of individual poems.)
- We are unable to return manuscripts or offer feedback.
- Four outstanding collections will be selected to receive mentoring, readings, publication in *The North* magazine.
- All four winning collections will be published under The Poetry Business' New Poets List imprint.
- All four winners will be invited to read at a launch reading organized by the poetry business, receive a subscription to *The North* magazine, and one or more of their poems will published in *The North* magazine.
- The judges' decision is final. If in the judges' opinion no collection achieves a high enough standard, no prize winner will be chosen.
- We reserve the right to change the panel of judges without notice.
- We may use the email address you have provided to contact you about The New Poets Prize. You can request to stop receiving updates from us at any time by contacting office@poetrybusiness.co.uk.
- Entry to the competition will be deemed to be acceptance of these conditions.