

# 2016 ARTS QUEENSLAND

## VAL VALLIS AWARD FOR UNPUBLISHED POETRY



Named in honour of a distinguished Queensland poet, the Arts Queensland Val Vallis Award for an Unpublished Poem is committed to encouraging poets throughout Australia. Now in its 17<sup>th</sup> year, this prestigious prize for an unpublished poem (or suite of poems) of 100 lines or less comes with a total value of \$2,000.

**1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE: \$1,000**

**2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE: \$500**

**Highest QLD entry: 12 month QWC membership + \$300 QWC workshops  
+ feature set at Queensland Poetry Festival 2015.**

**Winner, R/up & Highest QLD Entry will be published in *Cordite***

The winner will be announced at the Poetry Awards Night at the Queensland Poetry Festival, 25 August 2016 at the Judith Wright Centre of Contemporary Arts in Brisbane. Visit: [www.queenslandpoetryfestival.com](http://www.queenslandpoetryfestival.com) for more information.

**Selection panel:** Chloe Wilson (Melb) & Robert Sullivan (NZ)

**Previous winners:** Andrew Last, Brett Dionysius, Chloe Wilson, Rachael Briggs, Rebecca Edwards, Bronwyn Lea, Anna Kerdijk Nicholson, Judy Johnson, Jaya Savige, Sandra Hill, Ynes Sanz, Nathan Shepherdson, Anna Krien, Michelle Cahill

**Deadline for receipt of applications: by 5pm Tuesday 12th July 2016**

### Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: What does 'a poem not exceeding 100 lines' mean?**

**A:** Each entry must be 100 lines or less in length. The line count does NOT include the poem's title or section titles within the poems.

**Q: Are published poets eligible to enter?**

**A:** Yes, so long as the entry itself has not been published or is on offer for publication.

**Q: Can I enter a 'suite of poems' as a single entry?**

**A:** You may enter any number of poems as a single 'suite of poems' provided that the total number of lines does not exceed 100. If you have a number of totally unrelated poems you must enter them separately.

**Q: Can I fax or e-mail my Entry?**

**A:** No. All entries must be posted to Queensland Poetry Festival: PO Box 3488, South Brisbane Q 4101. Late applications will not be accepted.

**Q: What about copyright?**

**A:** Copyright of all poems (including the winning poems) will remain with the author.

**Q: Will I get any feedback from the judges?**

**A:** No. Judges will comment only on the winning poems.

### Rules

1. Entrants must be residents of Australia as of the date of entry.
2. The poem must be the entrant's original work.
3. The poem must be unpublished and not on offer for publication elsewhere up to and including 25 August 2016.
4. The poem must NOT exceed 100 lines in length.
5. Entrants may submit more than one poem (or suite of poems), but each entry must be accompanied by a separate Entry Form and a separate Entry Fee.
6. Use a serif font (e.g. Times New Roman) in 12-point type, 1.5 line spacing on single-sided white A4 papers.
7. Entries will not be returned. Do not include an SSAE.
8. Entries will be acknowledged by email only.
9. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
10. As the poems are judged anonymously, your name must NOT appear anywhere on the poem.
11. Mail three (3) hardcopies of your poem (or suite of poems) with a completed Entry Form to:  
**Queensland Poetry Festival  
Arts Queensland Val Vallis Award for an Unpublished Poetry  
GOP Box 3488  
Brisbane QLD 4101**
12. Entries must be received by **5pm Tuesday 12 July 2016 5pm** (entries to be postmarked on or before this date). Late entries cannot be accepted.
13. Winners will be advised in mid-August and announced at the Queensland Poetry Festival on 25 August 2016.

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# ENTRY FORM

## VAL VALLIS AWARD FOR UNPUBLISHED POETRY

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of poem (or suite of poems): \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this poem (or suite of poems) is my own original work, that it is unpublished, and is not under consideration for publication or for any other prize. I meet the Eligibility Criteria & agree to be bound by the Conditions of Entry.

Signature & date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline for receipt of applications: Tuesday 12 July 5pm 2016**

(entries to be postmarked on or before this date)

### Method of Payment for \$10 Entry Fee

- Cheque made out to Queensland Poetry Festival
- Money order made out to Queensland Poetry Festival
- Direct Debit to:

Queensland Poetry Festival Inc.

Bendigo Bank

**BSB : 633-000**

**Account Number : 136054103**

Must include : Ref "VV" and your surname

### Applicant Checklist

- I have enclosed 3 hardcopies of poem (or suite of poems), which is 100 lines or less.
- My name does not appear anywhere on my poem or suite.
- I have enclosed a cheque or money order of \$10 for the entry fee OR provided my payment by direct debit.
- I have addressed this application to: **Queensland Poetry Festival**

**Arts Queensland Val Vallis Award for an Unpublished Poem**  
**PO Box 3488**  
**South Brisbane QLD 4101**

### Please direct queries to:

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Queensland Poetry Festival  
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