

2016 ARTS QUEENSLAND

XYZ AWARD FOR SPOKEN WORD



In its 2nd year, the XYZ Prize for Innovation in Spoken Word is Australia's only arts award that recognises the growing field of spoken word, and is named after the former 2010 Arts Queensland Poet in Residence, Emily XYZ, who left a deep impression on many of today's Queensland spoken word artists. This new award comes with total prizes of \$1500.

1ST PRIZE: \$1,000

**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 online

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

Selection panel: Eleanor Jackson + the Arts Queensland 2016 Poet in Residence

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

Prize Facts:

Q: What does 'spoken word piece under 3 mins mean?

A: Each entry must be a recording under 3 mins in length. Spoken word means any form of recorded poetry or spoken word (sound, slam, or performance poetry.)

Q: Are established spoken word artist eligible to enter?

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

Q: Can I use multiple voices or music?

A: Yes, as long as you are the sole author of the text and music, and sourced and/or produced the found sounds utilized as part of the spoken word piece.

Q: Can I post my Entry?

A: No. All entries must be emailed. Late applications will not be accepted.

Q: What about copyright?

A: Copyright of all recorded spoken word (including the winning pieces) will remain with the author.

Q: Will I get any feedback from the judges?

A: No. Judges will comment only on the winning piece.

Rules

1. Entrants must be residents of Australia as of the date of entry.
2. The spoken word piece must be the entrant's original work.
3. The piece must be unpublished and not on offer for publication elsewhere up to and including 25 August 2016.
4. The recorded piece must NOT exceed 3 minutes in length.
5. Entrants may submit more than one recorded piece, but each entry must be accompanied by a separate Entry Form and a separate Entry Fee.
6. Spoken word pieces must be emailed as individual audio files in **mp3 format** only.
7. Submissions do not have to be broadcast quality or include sound production.
8. Entries will be acknowledged by email only.
9. Judging will be based on the following: innovation in spoken word in a recorded form
10. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
11. All pieces are to be judged anonymously (as feasibly as possible given the nature of voice based recordings.)
12. E-mail your piece(s) with a completed Entry Form(s) with the subject headline *XYZ Prize Entry* to:
qldpoetry@gmail.com
13. Entries must be received by **5pm Tuesday 12 July 2016**. Late entries cannot be accepted.
14. All entries must include a completed Entry Form attached to the email.
15. Winners will be advised in mid-August and announced at the Queensland Poetry Festival on 25 August 2015.

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Full name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Title of Piece: _____

Running Time: _____

Other artists appearing on track: _____

I certify that this piece 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 12th July 5pm 2016 EMAIL ONLY**

Method of Payment for \$10 Entry Fee (please email receipt of payment with application)

Direct Debit to:

Queensland Poetry Festival Inc.

Bendigo Bank

BSB : 633-000

Account Number : 136054103

Must include : Ref "XYZ" and your surname

Applicant Checklist

- I have attached my piece as an individual mp3 track
- I have attached the entry form to the email
- I have paid the \$10 entry fee by direct debit and enclosed receipt in the body of my email

Please direct queries to:

Annie Te Whiu
Festival Co-Director
Queensland Poetry Festival
Email: qldpoetry@gmail.com

