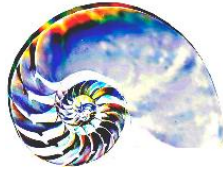


Call for **POETRY** Submissions



13th Biennial **NATIONAL ART EXHIBITION**

JURIED BY DEAN MITCHELL

On Display February 18-April 16, 2022

**Create a poem inspired by one of the pieces of art
on display in the National Art Exhibit.**

Deadline for submission: March 15, 2022

On-line submissions only

Evening of Poetry & Art: March 23, 2022 7-9pm

Complimentary wine and light appetizers will be served.

All are welcome to come to see this lovely exhibit and enjoy the poetry reading.

What inspires you???

Come to the Visual Arts Center to view the exhibit. It is open Monday & Friday from 10a-4pm, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 10a-7pm & Saturdays from 10a-2pm. There will be a wide variety of artwork from all over the country. Choose one (or two) that inspire you to write about. You may take a photograph of the inspiration piece, but please let the Front Desk person know you are taking it for the poetry submission. They have strict policies regarding no photographs, but are making an exception for the poetry event.

Ten poems will be selected from those submitted by a committee chosen by the Visual Arts Center. Each of these poems will be read by the poet at the event on Wednesday, March 23, 2022.

Rules

- Poems must be in 12 pt. text in .doc or .docx format
- No more than 30 lines
- You may submit more than one poem
- You must submit via email
- **Deadline for submissions is March 15**
- There is no fee to enter ☺

Entry Instructions

Entry is anonymous, so please follow instructions carefully:

- Send an email to vacpoetry@gmail.com
- “Poetry” should be in subject line
- Add **two** attachments
- 1st attachment – Your identifying information: name, phone number, email address and the title of poem
- 2nd attachment – the poem, including its title, the title of the painting that inspired you and the artist’s name (not the poet’s name!)
- No identifying information about the poet may be on the poem itself or the poem may be disqualified.
- You will receive an email confirmation when we have received the poem. If you do not receive a confirmation in 48 hours, contact Dorothy Brooks, 941-661-4607.

Those selected to participate in the reading will be notified by phone or email on or before **March 21, 2022**.

Any questions, please contact Dorothy Brooks at dhbrooks430@gmail.com or 941-661-4607.

By submitting your work, you agree that your poem may be used by the Visual Arts Center on its website, on Facebook, &/or posted in the gallery next to inspiration artwork. A copy of the poem will be provided to the artist whose artwork inspired your writing. Care will be taken to give each poet proper credit.