

About the Judge



Kathy Miles

Born in Liverpool, **Kathy Miles** is a poet and short story writer living in West Wales. Her fourth full collection of poetry, **Bone House**, was published by Indigo Dreams in October 2020, and her pamphlet **Inside the Animal House** by Rack Press in 2018. Her short stories have featured in magazines such as The Lonely Crowd, and in a recent anthology, Ugly as Sin and other clichés (Pentad Books, December 2020).

Kathy is a previous winner of the **Bridport Prize** as well as the Welsh Poetry Competition, Second Light, Penfro and Wells Literature Festival Poetry competitions, and her work appears widely in magazines and anthologies.

She has appeared at the Cheltenham Online Poetry Festival and other events and festivals around the UK. She frequently runs poetry workshops, is a regular book reviewer, and a co-editor of The Lampeter Review. She was also one of the winners in the international Poetry Book Awards in 2021.

Her new collection, **Vanishing Point**, published by Palewell Press is out soon.

Welsh Poetry Competition - 2024



About the Competition

The Welsh Poetry Competition offers a chance for budding writers and published authors from all over the world to compete on an equal footing and be recognised for their work.

After many hugely successful years we are now offering in our **18th** international competition:

1st Prize - £500

2nd Prize - £250

3rd Prize - £100

Judge – Kathy Miles

All entries to the competition will be judged anonymously so your creativity will be judged on its own merits. We do not use filter judges!

Further information can be found at our website:

www.welshpoetry.co.uk

Winners will be announced on our website and in the media after the closing date and when all entries have been judged.

Closing date is: **Sunday 30th June 2024**

The Entry Form

Name

Address

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Postcode

Country

Telephone

Email

I enclose poems @ **£6** each and £ payment by cheque/PO in GBP made payable to: **The Welsh Poetry Competition**
(Note: £6 if using PayPal)

I enclose the following poems:

Title 01.....

02.....

03.....

04.....

05.....

06.....

07.....

Continue on separate sheet if required

Where did you hear about us?

Please attach this form to your poems and payment and forward to:

The Welsh Poetry Competition
9 The Avenue, Pontypridd, CF37 4DF, Wales, UK

Rules of Entry

1. Each poem must be no more than 50 lines in length.
2. Each poem must be typed/clearly written on 1 side of paper.
3. No covering letter or other material should be enclosed.
4. No alterations can be made to a poem once it has been submitted.
5. The entrant may submit an unlimited number of poems, each to be accompanied by a **£6** entrance fee. We only accept sterling.
(Note: £6 if using PayPal)
6. Cheques and postal orders should be made payable to:
The Welsh Poetry Competition.
7. The poem(s) should be firmly attached to the entry form. The name of the entrant must not appear on the entry itself.
8. Once entered, poems cannot be withdrawn from the competition. It is regretted that no entries can be returned, so keep a copy of your work.
9. All winners may be requested to provide a biography and photograph and take part in any subsequent publicity surrounding the competition.
10. Acknowledgement of receipt of poems will only be given if a SAE marked "Acknowledgement" is enclosed.
11. Entries must be in English, not previously published in any form (including appearing on the Internet).
12. The author must be living.
13. No translations are allowed.
14. Entries can be in any style and on any subject.
15. Entries should not be submitted for publication elsewhere while the competition is running.
16. Winners will be decided by our judge **Kathy Miles**. The judge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
17. The organisers reserve the right to change the judge if circumstances dictate.
18. The competition is open until **Sunday 30th June 2024**. All entries must reach us by that date.
19. All winning poems will be announced and published on our website, may be published elsewhere in the media and will also appear in a future anthology.
20. Copyright remains with the competitor, but **The Welsh Poetry Competition** reserves the right to arrange the first publication or broadcast of selected poems as it sees fit. Submission of a poem(s) implies the competitor's acceptance of the rules.

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