



CALL TO POETS

2024 YAKIMA COFFEEHOUSE POETRY CONTEST

Submission Guidelines

1. What is an entry? One entry includes 3-5 poems, a \$12 entry fee (\$6 for students), and a separate cover sheet with your name, address, phone number, email address and a list of your poems' titles. Poems longer than one (1) page should include the title and page number on each page, but NOT your name. Please include a short bio (under 100 words).

2. Where to submit? Poems and cover letters should be emailed to ycpcontest2024@gmail.com. Snail mail entries (typed, please), and ALL entry fees should be mailed via USPS to Yakima Coffeehouse Poets, PO Box 2874, Yakima, WA 98907. Note: Emailed poems/cover letters are easier for us to process.

3. What is the Tom Pier Prize? For this prize, poets should demonstrate ability in the creation of at least three inter-related poems (theme, style, etc.).

4. What is the deadline? Entries must arrive or be postmarked no later than Thursday, February 15, 2024.

5. Who is eligible? Poets residing in or hailing from Eastern Cascadia are eligible. That includes the north-central, central, and south-central regions of Washington State (including the Columbia Basin).

6. Please do not submit handwritten poems. Please do not decorate your entry with artwork.

7. Winning poems will appear in "Twenty-Ninth," the annual YCP contest chapbook, which is named for the number of years the contest has been held.

8: Judging: the process is blind, which means judges see only the poems, not any personal information identifying the poet.
