

FSPA

Category 1

THE FSPA FREE VERSE AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Free Verse One page line limit
1st Place \$100 2nd Place \$75 3rd Place \$50 3 HM **Entry fee \$2.00 each, limit 2 poems.** Sponsored by FSPA, Inc.

Category 2

THE FSPA FORMAL VERSE AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Formal Verse (form name at top)
One page line limit 1st Place \$100 2nd Place \$75 3rd Place \$50 3 HM **Entry fee \$2.00 each, limit 2 poems.**
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Category 3

THE HENRIETTA AND MARK KROAH FOUNDERS AWARD (Free to FSPA members)

Subject: Any Form: Villanelle 19 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by FSPA, Inc.

Category 4

THE PAST PRESIDENTS AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Spoon River 40 line limit
1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Past Presidents of FSPA, Inc.

Category 5

THE R. W. EMERSON AWARD

Subject: For inspiration and must be used as the epigraph, Emerson's lines, "They reckon ill who leave me out,
When me they fly, I am the wings..." Form: Any 40 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM
Sponsored by Peter Hanen, Sunshine Poets.

Category 6

THE ROBERT SHELFORD MEMORIAL AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Limerick 5 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM \$5 Sponsored by Elda Nichols, Member-at-Large.

Category 7

THE ANIMAL AWARD

Subject: A beloved dog or cat Form: Any 30 line limit
1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Betty Prisendorf, in memory of Pam.

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Category 8

THE FLORRIE MORROW JONES MEMORIAL AWARD

Subject: Music or art Form: Traditional Sonnet (name sonnet at bottom) 14 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by her granddaughter, Caroline Walton, Gingerbread Poets.

Category 9

THE JOYCE MIKKOLA MEMORIAL AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Ballad 40 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM \$5 Sponsored by Elda Nichols, Member-at-Large.

Category 10

PETRARCHAN SONNET AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Petrarchan Sonnet 14 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM
Sponsored by Joyce Shiver, Sunshine Poets

Category 11

THE ARTISTS' AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Ekphrastic A poem that represents a visual work of art. Must include name of artwork and artist in title or footnote. (A copy of the artwork is not necessary.) 40 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Janet Watson, New River Poets.

Category 12

THE RANDALL CADMAN MEMORIAL AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Shakespearean Sonnet 14 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM
Sponsored by New River Poets.

Category 13

THE LAVAUGHN HESS AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Rubaiyat 40 line limit Equal lines of three or four feet, rhyming aaba 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Maxine Nicholson, Gingerbread Poets.

Category 14

MEMORIES OF CHILDHOOD AWARD

Subject: Childhood memories (growing up) Form: Any 40 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Books by Patricia Lieb, Member-at-Large.

CONTESTS

Category 15

THE WILLARD B. FOSTER MEMORIAL AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Any form having syllabic requirements for each line, e.g., Cinquain, Etheric, Lanterne, Tetractys, Whitney, Haiku, Tanka, Harquain, Hourglass, etc. Line limit: as required. 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by John F. Foster.

Category 16

THE SUNSHINE POETS AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Minute 12 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Sunshine Poets.

- Minute – 60 syllable 12 line poem written in strict iambic meter, syllable count 8,4,4,4,8, 4,4,4,8,4,4,4; rhymed a, a, b, b, c, c, d, d, e, e, f, f; capitalized and punctuated like prose and capturing a slice of life.

Category 17

THE PEACE AWARD

Subject: Peace Form: Any 50 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored in honor of her children and grandchildren, by Coleen Ward, Member-at-Large.

Category 18

THE LIVE POETS AWARD

Subject: The Dark Side Form: Any 40 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Live Poets Society of Daytona Beach.

Category 19

THE JUNE OWENS MEMORIAL AWARD

Subject: Passages Form: Any 40 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by New River Poets.

Category 20

THE MIAMI POETS AWARD

Subject: Storms Form: Any 40 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Miami Poets.

Category 21

THE TOMOKA POETS AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Any 40 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Tomoka Poets.

Category 22

THE JOSEPH V. HICKEY MEMORIAL AWARD

Subject: Bridges (metaphoric) Form: Any 40 line limit Do not use the subject as the title. 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by his loving wife, Madelyn Eastlund, Gingerbread Poets.

Category 23

THE DISCOVERY AWARD

Subject: A beneficial scientific discovery or innovation Form: Any 40 line limit. 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Elissa Malcohn, Gingerbread Poets.

Category 24

WINKLEBLECK'S CHALLENGE

Subject: Any. Form: Any *EXCEPT* free verse or blank verse. 28 line limit. May be rhymed or unrhymed, humorous or serious. 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored in memory of Mary Winklebleck by Barbara Blanks, Member-at-Large.

Category 25

THE GINGERBREAD POETS AWARD

Subject: Any Form: Sestina. 39 line limit 1st Place \$25 2nd Place \$15 3rd Place \$10 3 HM Sponsored by Gingerbread Poets (Caroline Walton, President)

CONTEST RULES

Please read these rules carefully and follow all directions. Any violations will be disqualified.

1. Any poem submitted must:
 - a. be the original work of the contestant
 - b. unpublished in any form
 - c. not have won more than \$10 in any contest
 - d. be written in English
 - e. be titled unless a sijo or haiku
 - f. have a 40 line limit unless stated otherwise
2. The same poem must not be entered in more than one category. Categories **1 & 2** are limited to **2 entries per poet per category**. Categories **3 through 25** are limited to **one entry per poet per category**.
3. **FORMAT:** Typed single-spaced on one side of 8 1/2 x 11" white paper. No illustrations. Submit **two** copies, category number and name on **both** copies on upper **left**. Poet's name and address on **duplicate** copy **only** on upper **right**. Mail all entries together with check or money order made payable to FSPA, Inc. using regular first class mail.
4. **FEES:** All poets \$2 each for Categories 1 and 2. All other categories \$1 each. Category 3 free to FSPA members only – all others must pay \$1.
5. **PAYMENT:** All checks and money orders should be made payable to FSPA, Inc. No cash, please.

DEADLINE JULY 15, 2012

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SEND ENTRIES TO:

GAIL TEACHWORTH
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CRYSTAL RIVER, FL
34423

SASE for winners' list or additional flyers. Winners not present at the 2012 convention will be notified by mail in November 2012.

**FLORIDA STATE POETS
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