LOMP has eight regional chapters throughout the state for all ages:

- Mississippi Valley Poets & Writers in the Twin Cities
- Southeastern MN Poets in Rochester
- Southern MN Poets in Mankato
- Heartland Poets in Brainerd
- Grand View Poets in Sartell
- Cracked Walnut performance chapter
- The Duluth Chapter
- Story Portage in Ely

In addition to local events and monthly meetings, LOMP hosts a Spring and Fall conference. Students are welcome to attend.

If you are interested in learning more about the Manningham awards, the details for submission, acquiring brochures to share with students, or the opportunity to have a League of Minnesota Poets representative visit your school/classroom, please contact the League's Youth Chair, Brendan Brophy, at bbrophy08@gmail.com.

## **Officers**

Elections are held annually for varying terms depending on the office. The current officers are as follows:

President: Peter Stein

Vice President: Amanda Bailey

Treasurer: Mary Schmidt

Recording Secretary: Jana Bouma

Youth Chair: Brendan Brophy

Email: bbrophy08@gmail.com



# NATIONAL MANNINGHAM STUDENT POETRY COMPETITION

Sponsored by
The League of
Minnesota Poets
2021

Poems are first judged on a state level.

Winners at state level are submitted for national competition.

mnpoets.com

**PRIZES:** The winners in each category will receive:

\$50 for first place \$30 for second place \$20 for third place

All winners will receive a complimentary membership for the League of Minnesota Poets for that year. Winners will also be invited to attend and read their winning poem at the League's Spring Convention. Registration will be paid for the League if attending.

THE LEAGUE OF MINNESOTA POETS Annual Manningham Poetry Competition for State and National Awards of the 2020-2021 school year. www.mnpoets.com

### **CONTEST ENTRY RULES**

- 1. There are two divisions: Grades 6-8 [Junior Division] and Grades 9-12 [Senior Division], neither of which has an entry fee.
- 2. Submissions must be the original work of the student. Poems that have been published and/or have won previous awards are still eligible for this contest (excluding poems that have previously won awards through the Manningham contest specifically).
- 3. All students in Minnesota who are attending public, parochial, home, or private schools are eligible for submission.
- 4. Only one entry per student is allowed.

- 5. The poem is to be typed or computer-generated. No handwritten copies will be accepted.
- 6. Complete a signed statement: This is my original work, with the student's signature. Poems may be electronically signed, or signed and scanned, but the signature must be present.
- 7. No poems more than 50 lines long.
- 8. Please no large print, illustrations, unusual typefaces (Gothic, script, etc.) or colored fonts. Be considerate of your judges. They love to see your work, but it needs to be in the prescribed format to make their work more efficient.
- 9. Students must email submissions to: leagueofmnpoets@gmail.com

### **HOW TO SUBMIT**

Submit two copies of each poem.

On the first copy, no name or personal information should appear, only the division being submitted to (Junior or Senior).

On the second copy, the upper right hand corner should include the following information:

- 1. The student's name and complete home address.
- 2. Student's grade and division (Junior or Senior).
- 3. Name, address, and phone number of the school.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners in both age divisions.

Nationally recognized poets judge the contest.

The top ten poems selected at the Minnesota state level will be submitted to the National Manningham Contest; where they will have the opportunity to receive publication at the national level and earn cash prizes.

Poems selected at the state level will be published in the Moccasin Members Publication.

Email entries to
Brendan Brophy at:
leagueofmnpoets@gmail.com

Submission Period: June 1<sup>st</sup> 2020- January 15, 2021

# ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE EMAILED BY: January 15, 2021

