Bayfield Poet Laureate April 2019 – April 2020

Duties

Beyond the duties listed below, the job is left to the poet’s individual imagination.

1) Write at least one poem per year for presentation and publication. The presentation will be at a civic event or meeting yet to be determined. Publication will be in City Minutes and presented on the City’s website.

2) We encourage the Poet Laureate to develop a special project such as an event, publication or program which highlights poetry in a public way.

3) Participate in selecting the next Poet Laureate and guide the transition into the role.

Term of Service

The Term of Service as Bayfield Poet Laureate is for one year from April 1, 2019 through April 1, 2020.

Honoraria

The Bayfield Carnegie Library has committed $1000 for an honorarium. The appointed Poet Laureate may use these funds at her or his discretion.

Criteria and Selection Process

1) Residency
Preference is given to year-round Bayfield area residents, including Red Cliff and the Towns of Russell and Bayfield. Summer residents and poets residing within 10 miles of the City of Bayfield are eligible to apply.

2) Publication
Publication in a book or collection of poetry is preferred, but not required.

3) Poetry Samples
Supply no fewer than 6 and no more than 10 sample poems representative of your work.

4) Resume or Curriculum Vitae
The resume should not exceed 2 pages.

5) Proposed activities
An explanation of what the applicant would hope to accomplish as Poet Laureate, including potential ideas for a special project (up to 2 pages).

6) Optional supplementary materials
The application may include up to 4 additional pages of supplementary supporting materials such as excerpts from published book reviews, judges’ comments or other critical writings that help contextualize the poet’s work.

Note: Recommendation letters are not appropriate and will not be considered.
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Application Form

Applications accepted: February 19, 2019 - March 15, 2019

Date: __________________________

Name of Applicant: __________________________

Address: __________________________

Home Telephone: __________________________

Cell Phone: __________________________

Email: __________________________

Signature: __________________________

Your signature confirms to the Bayfield Carnegie Library and the City of Bayfield that the information included within this application is accurate and true.

Bayfield Poet Laureate Program
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