



Poetry Contest

in honor of the twenty-fourth annual

Mary Ellen and Jim Wayne Miller Celebration of Writing

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Eligibility: All undergraduate English majors/minors, African American Studies minors, and students currently enrolled in a creative writing or African American Studies class.

Guidelines: Each student may submit one poem. Your name should appear ONLY on the cover sheet along with the poem title, author's address, email address, 801#, and phone number. Submit as one file to the contest's online dropbox.

<https://tinyurl.com/MEMJWM2020>

Deadline: October 5, 2020

The top ten finalists will participate in a virtual workshop, conducted by poet and guest judge Joy Priest, on October 25, from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., as well as receive a copy of her new poetry collection *Horsepower*.

All ten finalists will be recognized that day at 2:00 p.m. at the virtual Mary Ellen and Jim Wayne Miller Celebration of Writing. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will also be announced.

1st Place: \$100

2nd Place: \$50

3rd Place: \$25

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Joy Priest is the author of *Horsepower* (Pitt Poetry Series, 2020), winner of the Donald Hall Prize for Poetry. She is the recipient of the 2020 Stanley Kunitz Prize and her poems have appeared in the Academy of American Poets' Poem-a-Day, APR, The Atlantic, and Poetry Northwest, among others.



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