The Marple Poetry Competition 2009 / 2010



Total prize money of £350 and book tokens for those short-listed

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NORDOFF-ROBBINS MUSIC THERAPY

Our nominated charity is the Nordoff - Robbins music therapy charity

Marple is pleased to announce its second writing competition

For 2009 / 2010 we shall be running a **poetry competition** with 2 different categories

1 - Formal or free verse

2 - Humorous poetry

Each competition will have a first prize of £125 and a second prize of £50

Those short-listed will receive book tokens

Rules of the Competition

Poems should be 40 lines or less, on any subject.

There will be 2 categories:-

- 1 Formal or free verse
- 2 Humorous poetry

A maximum of 7 poems can be submitted in <u>total</u> in either or both categories.

They must be original, unpublished work, which has not won another competition, and <u>must be received by</u>

2 June 2010.

BUT PLEASE ENTER NOW!

General Rules

All entries should be clearly typed or printed, single spaced.

Double spacing between stanzas only.

If the entry consists of more than one page they must be stapled together.

Entries will be judged anonymously.

They should be written in English, and clearly legible. **E-mail entries will not be accepted.**

The entry must <u>only</u> contain the title of the poem. The author's name, address and telephone number should be attached on an entry form (or copy thereof).

Entry fees are as shown.

No single piece of work may be awarded more than one prize.

We regret that no correspondence can be entered into.

The Judge's decision is final, and we are sorry that entries cannot be returned.

Amendments are not permitted to the poems after submission .

Competitors who would like a receipt for their submissions, or notification of winning entries should enclose a **stamped** self addressed envelope. Marked either:-

" Marple competition receipt " or "Winning Entries"

By entering the competition, competitors accept that the organiser may publish winning entries on the internet, and that winning entries may be read out or posted during the festival, and on BBC network or local radio, or other independent radio networks without payment of a fee, for up to 1 year from the end of the competition.

Copyright remains with the authors.

Results will be announced on 2nd July 2010

and published on the website.

Winners and those shortlisted will be notified in advance

A donation will be made to the Nordoff—Robbins Music Therapy Charity

We regret that no correspondence can be entered into or e-mails answered concerning entries.

The competition website is www.marplewriting.org.uk

The judge of both the competitions will be award winning author and poet,

Joyce Reed G.N.S.M.

Fees payable as specified on entry form.

Cheque payable to Marple Writing Competition

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Joyce Receiving the award of "Winner of Winners" 2008

The Judge

Joyce Reed organised and judged last year's successful Marple short story competition.

Originally she studied music at the Northern School of Music and graduated with a degree in her first instrument the flute. She taught both the flute and piano for many years.

For the last fifteen years she has been writing short stories, articles and poems as well as painting in acrylics and watercolours.

In 2006 she was recognised for her poetry by being given the award of "Poet of the Year" by the David St. John Thomas Charitable Trust. In 2008 the Trust awarded her the 'Winner of Winners' prize for her writing, and her book "Teacher's Monday Flowers", which also won the best self-published poetry prize, and the best self-published book.

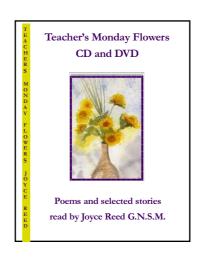
She has had winning poems regularly in Writers' News, and Writing Magazine, culminating this year with winning poems in consecutive months in these publications.

A donation from this competition and all profits from her latest book "Music of Time" will be made to the Nordoff - Robbins music charity.

Her self published books are shown below.







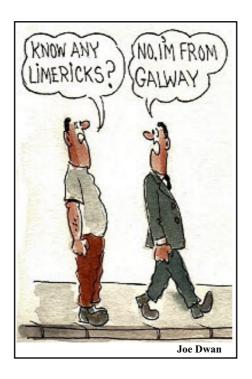


For more details go to www.joycereed.org.uk



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