

**THE 5TH ANNUAL BEYOND BAROQUE
2013 POSTMARK DEADLINE EXTENDED TO SEPTEMBER 5, 2014**

The 5th Annual Beyond Baroque Poetry Contest has begun accepting submissions as of June 1, 2014. The contest accepts entries from anywhere in the United States. The postmark deadline for entries has been extended to September 5, 2014. The judge for this year's contest is award winning poet and professor, David St. John from Los Angeles, California.

PRIZES

First Prize: \$1000

Second Prize: \$500

Third Prize: \$250

Five Honorable Mentions will also be awarded.

All winners and honorable mentions will be invited, at their own expense, to read their poem(s) at the Beyond Baroque Poetry Contest Reading on November 9, 2014 at Beyond Baroque Literary Arts Center in Venice, California, at 2:00 PM.

Mail entries with reading fee to:

Beyond Baroque Literary Arts Center
2014 Poetry Contest
681 Venice Blvd.
Venice Beach
Los Angeles CA 90291

Winners announced October 20, 2014.

RULES

1. Entrants must reside in the United States.
2. Poems must be submitted in English. If the poem has been translated from another language, please submit the original as well. No previously published poems will be accepted, simultaneous submissions are accepted, but if your poem is accepted somewhere else before the deadline, you will be asked to withdraw or replace it with another poem.
3. Entries of 1-4 poems must be accompanied by a check or money order for \$20 made out to Beyond Baroque. No online submissions or payments will be accepted.
4. You may submit up to 4 poems per entry fee, and each poem has a maximum line limit of 42 for each poem.
5. Each entry should be accompanied by a cover letter with the author's name, address, phone number, email address and the title of each poem being submitted.

6. This is a blind judging. POEMS SHOULD HAVE ONLY THE TITLE OF THE POEM ON THEM, but no personal information such as the poet's name. . If the poem takes up more than one sheet of paper, each page should be numbered with the title of the poem on it, and the number of pages listed on each page(1 of 2, and 2 of 2, etc.).

7. If you wish to receive confirmation of your submission, please include your email address, or a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

8. All entries must be postmarked by ~~September 1, 2014~~ September 5, 2014.

About David St. John:

This year's judge is Los Angeles poet and professor, David St. John. St. John was born in Fresno, California. He received his bachelor's degree at California State in Fresno and went to the University of Iowa for an M.F.A. His works of poetry include *Hush* (1976), *Terraces of Rain* (1991) and *The Red Leaves of Night* (1999). Most recently he wrote *The Face: A Novella in Verse* (2004). He has received numerous awards and honors, including the Great Lakes College Association New Writers Award, the James D. Phelan Award, the Academy Award in Literature, The George Drury Smith Award, and various grants and fellowships. St. John has taught at Oberlin College, Johns Hopkins University, and currently teaches at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

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