

Williamstown Literary Festival 2018

# Ada Cambridge Poetry Prize 2018



**For western suburbs poets**

**\$500 first prize**

**Competition closes Monday 5 March 2018**

**Online entry only**

## Conditions of entry:

1. This prize is open to all poets over 18 years of age who live, work or study in the western suburbs of Melbourne. The winner of the previous year's Ada Cambridge Poetry prize (in this case 2017) is not eligible to enter the current year's competition (2018).
2. There is no entry fee.
3. Poems may be on any topic.
4. Poems may be in any form, up to 30 lines in length.
5. The work must be original, written in English and not have been previously published. It should not have won a prize in any other competition.
6. Entries must be typed in Arial 11 font, and be double-spaced.
7. Only **two** entries may be submitted per individual.
8. To maintain anonymity for judging purposes, the author's name should not appear on any part of the poem.
9. The poem(s) should be uploaded as a Word document to the Hobsons Bay Libraries website, [libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](http://libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au); this method includes an online form for submitting your details. If you have difficulties with this process please email [competitions@hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](mailto:competitions@hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au) or phone Hobsons Bay Libraries on 1300 462 542.
10. Closing date for entries is **Monday 5 March 2018**. No late entries will be accepted.
11. The poems will be judged in terms of originality, creativity and expressiveness. Entries should be carefully proof-read as presentation will be taken into consideration when judging. Last year's winning and shortlisted entries, and the comments of the judges, can be read in the 2017 Ada Cambridge anthology, available at Hobsons Bay Libraries.
12. The prize winners will be announced at the Williamstown Literary Festival, 16 & 17 June 2018.
13. The winner will receive a prize of \$500. In the event of there being joint winners, the prize money will be equally divided. All shortlisted poems will receive a copy of the book and a certificate.
14. Ten poems will be published, including the winning entry, those highly commended or commended and a selection from the shortlisted poems.
15. Authors retain copyright, but the Williamstown Literary Festival Committee reserves the right to reproduce the whole or any part of the poem in any format (whether or not it is a winning entry) for purposes of promoting the Williamstown Literary Festival.
16. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
17. Poems will not be returned, so authors should retain a copy of the original.

## Western suburbs postcodes eligible for entry in the *Ada Cambridge Poetry Prize 2018*:

**Brimbank:** 3020, 3021, 3022, 3023, 3033, 3036, 3037, 3038

**Hobsons Bay:** 3015, 3016, 3018, 3025, 3028

**Hume:** 3043, 3045, 3047, 3048, 3049, 3059, 3060, 3061, 3062, 3063, 3064, 3427, 3428, 3429, 3430

**Maribyrnong:** 3011, 3012, 3013, 3019, 3032

**Melton:** 3023, 3037, 3335, 3337, 3338, 3340, 3427

**Moonee Valley:** 3031, 3033, 3034, 3039, 3040, 3041, 3042

**Wyndham:** 3024, 3026, 3027, 3029, 3030, 3211

