



TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. The competition 'Poetry Rivals' is organised by Bonacia Ltd, Remus House, Coltsfoot Drive, Woodston, Peterborough PE2 9BF, UK.
2. By entering the Poetry Rivals Competition, entrants agree to be bound by the competition rules and accept the terms and conditions.
3. Bonacia Ltd reserves the right to cancel or amend the competition or the rules without notice in the event of a catastrophe, war, civil or military disturbance, act of God or any actual or anticipated breach of any applicable law or regulation or any other event outside Bonacia Ltd's reasonable control. Any changes will be posted within these terms and conditions.
4. In the event of any dispute regarding the rules, conduct, results and all other matters relating to Poetry Rivals, the decision of Bonacia Ltd shall be final and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into.

QUALIFYING ENTRANTS

5. Employees of Bonacia Ltd and members of their families or households are not eligible to enter Poetry Rivals.
6. By entering Poetry Rivals, you hereby confirm that the poem submitted by you is your own original work. You may enter work on a deceased relative's behalf if you own the copyright posthumous. It must be entered under their name / pen name with you as the listed contact. Bonacia Ltd reserves the right to verify the eligibility of all entrants. All entrants must pay the non-refundable £10 entry fee.
7. The postal address you provide with your poem will be used to send any correspondence to so please make sure this is correct.
8. Poetry Rivals is open to poets aged 18+. Bonacia Ltd assumes that by using the website and entering Poetry Rivals that you are aged 18 or over. Entrants found to be under 18 will be disqualified.
9. Bonacia Ltd reserves the right to disqualify any entrant if it has reasonable grounds to believe the entrant has breached any of the rules.
10. In the event that any entrant is disqualified from Poetry Rivals, Bonacia Ltd in its sole discretion may decide whether a replacement should be selected. In this event, any further entrant will be selected on the same criteria as the original entrant and will be subject to these rules.

COMPETITION ENTRIES

11. For each poem submitted the £10 entry fee must be paid. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the complete competition rules.
12. A non-refundable £10 fee is payable in Pounds Sterling at the time you enter. You can enter and pay online at our website via PayPal/debit/credit card, or you can post your entry and fee to us. Cheques and postal orders to be made payable to 'Forward Poetry'. Please don't send cash in the post!
13. Proof of posting or emailing cannot be accepted as proof of delivery. Bonacia Ltd cannot accept responsibility for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operation or transmission, communications line failure, theft, destruction, alteration of or unauthorised access to Entries, or Entries lost, damaged or delayed as a result of a third party, server functions, technical issues, virus, bugs or other causes outside Bonacia Ltd's control.
14. Bonacia Ltd is unable to return any poems, therefore it is recommended you send in a copy and not the original / only copy.

PRIZES

15. Bonacia Ltd will shortlist the Top 30 poets, who will be invited to attend the Poetry Rivals Poetry Slam. Slam details to be confirmed in 2017.
16. To be eligible to be crowned Poetry Rivals Slam Champion 2016 and win the publishing contract, the top 30 shortlisted finalists must attend the Poetry Rivals Poetry Slam Final. The judges will decide the winner at the Poetry Rivals Poetry Slam. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into.
17. If you are chosen as one of the Top 100 long listed finalists you will receive 5 free copies of the book your work appears in.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS & USE OF ENTRIES

18. Bonacia Ltd do not, unless we agree this with you, claim any rights of ownership of your poem. As such, you retain ownership and copyright of your poem and, although Bonacia Ltd will be able to use entries as set out in the rules, you will also have the right to use your poem in any way you choose. Where any poem is to be used in a different way (e.g. we are asking to own this) this will be made clear on the website and you will then be able to choose whether to enter Poetry Rivals. If you win a prize, as a condition of receipt of that prize, your name, photo and your poem will be required for publicity purposes. If you attend the final, you accept as part of the terms and conditions that your photo may be used for publicity purposes.
19. Bonacia Ltd does not guarantee to use or otherwise make available any poem. Bonacia Ltd may also, in appropriate circumstances, and at its sole discretion, reject, edit, remove or disable access to poems that appear to be legally or otherwise problematic e.g. infringe the copyright or other intellectual property or privacy rights of others, are defamatory etc. or for any other reason.
20. By entering Poetry Rivals, you hereby confirm that the poem submitted by you is your own original work. You may enter work on a deceased relative's behalf if you own the copyright posthumous. It must be entered under their name / pen name with you as the listed contact. You hereby warrant that your poem and all information which you submit and/or distribute will not infringe the intellectual property, privacy or any other rights of any third party, and will not contain anything which is libellous, defamatory, obscene, indecent, harassing or threatening.

LIABILITY

21. Bonacia Ltd cannot accept any responsibility for any damage, loss, injury or disappointment suffered by any entrant of Poetry Rivals or as a result of accepting any prize. Bonacia Ltd is not responsible for any problems or technical malfunction of any computer on-line systems, servers, or providers, computer equipment or software, failure of any email or entry to be received on account of technical problems or traffic congestion on the Internet, or at any website, or any combination of these, including any injury or damage to entrant's or any other person's computer related to or resulting from participation or uploading any material for Poetry Rivals. Nothing shall exclude Bonacia Ltd's liability for death or personal injury as a result of its negligence.

DATA PROTECTION AND PUBLICITY

22. The winner will be requested to take part in promotional activity and Bonacia Ltd reserves the right to use the names of the winner, the finalists, their photographs and poems in any publicity.
23. Any personal data relating to entrants will be used solely in accordance with current UK data protection legislation and will not be disclosed to a third party without the individual's prior consent. Data relating to entrants will be retained by Bonacia Ltd for a reasonable period after any Poetry Rivals books have been published to assist Bonacia Ltd to deal with any queries that may arise.

HOW TO CONTACT US

24. You can contact us regarding Poetry Rivals by writing to Poetry Rivals, Bonacia Ltd, Remus House, Coltsfoot Drive, Woodston, Peterborough PE2 9BF, UK, email INFO@POETRYRIVALS.COM or call us on 01733 890099.

REFUND POLICY

Pre-Publication Orders

25. Orders that are placed and paid for before publication will be fulfilled as soon as the book is published. (Publication dates are stated in the paperwork we send to customers.)
26. Should you wish to cancel your order before it has been despatched you must cancel your order in writing (by letter or email). Please let us know why you wish to cancel your order. Your order cancellation will be confirmed by email. Please allow 7-10 days for your refund to be processed.

POST-PUBLICATION ORDERS

27. Orders placed after publication will be fulfilled within 7-10 days of receipt of the order, but can be up to 28 days if the book is out of stock; you will be advised which time scale at the time of ordering.
28. Should you wish to cancel your order before it has been despatched you must cancel your order in writing (by letter or email). Please let us know why you wish to cancel your order. Your order cancellation will be confirmed by email. Please allow 7-10 days for your refund to be processed.
29. Returns Policy
30. You can return your purchase to us in its original condition within 14 days of the date you received your order and we will issue a full refund for the price you paid for the book(s), excluding p&p. Please give us a call or email before you send anything back and we will advise you of the procedure to follow.

31. Though we check our system frequently to try and avoid errors, things can occasionally go wrong with the ordering process. If we make a mistake we will do our best to put things right as quickly as we can, with as little inconvenience to you as possible.
32. If you experience any problems while ordering or have any questions, please do not hesitate to CONTACT US.

DELIVERY POLICY

Pre-Publication Orders

33. Orders that are placed and paid for before publication will be fulfilled as soon as the book is published. (Publication dates are stated in the paperwork we send to customers.)
34. Postage and packaging charges include the cost of sending the book(s) as well as the packaging material. P&P is charged per order, not per item. Orders are delivered to the delivery address requested by the customer.
35. Home/Business address deliveries are fulfilled by either Royal Mail or courier, depending on the amount of books ordered. Generally 3 books or less will be delivered by Royal Mail.
36. Orders can be delivered overseas. This incurs a delivery charge of £4.95 per book.

POST-PUBLICATION ORDERS

37. Orders placed after publication will be fulfilled within 7-10 days of receipt of the order.
38. If a book is out of stock, customers are advised at the time of placing their order and delivery will be within 28 days of receipt of the order. Orders are delivered to the delivery address requested by the customer. Deliveries are fulfilled by either Royal Mail or courier, depending on the amount of books ordered. Generally 3 books or less will be delivered by Royal Mail.
39. Orders can be delivered overseas. This incurs a delivery charge of £4.95 per book.

RETURNS POLICY

40. You can return your purchase to us in its original condition within 14 days of the date you received your order and we will issue a full refund for the price you paid for the book(s). Please contact us before you send anything back and we will advise you of the procedure to follow. Please see our Refund Policy for further information.

CANCELLATION POLICY

41. You can cancel any order placed by contacting us before we despatch the order and we will organise a full refund within 14 working days. Should there be a problem with your order, such as you've received the wrong title, please contact us. If the book you receive is faulty or damaged please contact us so we can send you a replacement.