2021-2023 Montana Poet Laureate Nomination Form

The Montana Poet Laureate recognizes and honors a citizen poet of exceptional talent and accomplishment. The Poet Laureate also encourages appreciation of poetry and literary life in Montana. This position was created by the state legislature in 2005.

The Poet Laureate is chosen on the basis of three criteria:

- Artistic excellence and achievement
- Ongoing contributions to the cultural community
- Worthiness of statewide recognition

To be eligible, the poet must currently reside in Montana and have been a resident for at least one year. Montana Arts Council members, staff, or their immediate family or household are not eligible.

The Montana Arts Council will be accepting nominations until April 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Following your nomination, the poet will have the opportunity to accept or decline consideration.

The Montana Arts Council will present three recommendations to the Governor, as outlined in 2-15-242.
Poet Information

1. Poet’s First Name *required

2. Poet’s Last Name *required

3. Email

4. Phone

5. Town

Nominator Information

6. First Name *required

7. Last Name *required

8. Email *required

9. Phone *required
10. What is your favorite poem and why? (600 character limit) *required

(This text may be shared anonymously on social media.)

11. Please include a copy of your favorite poem.

12. The next Montana Poet Laureate will be selected based on their artistic excellence, cultural contributions, and worthiness of statewide recognition.

Why do you think this poet is deserving of being Montana’s Poet Laureate? (600 character limit) *required