

derbyshire
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11-20 May 2012

Nonsense Poetry & Flash Fiction Writing Competition Entry Form

To celebrate Edward Lear's bicentenary in 2012 we're asking you to have a go at writing your own Nonsense poem or Flash Fiction story. Matt Black, Derbyshire Poet Laureate will be judging the competition and he has written a few handy tips on how to write Nonsense to get you started.

You can download a copy from the Festival website at: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival or pick one up from Derbyshire Libraries or ring the Arts Team on 01773 831 385.

The winners from each age category will be invited to perform their piece at *An Evening of Nonsense with Matt Black* which will be taking place during the Literature Festival.

The poems will also be published on the Festival website: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival and on www.artsderbyshire.org.uk

How to enter:

Complete the entry form on the back of this page.

Entry Rules:

- Entry to the competition is **free**
- It is open to everyone in three age categories:
 - 12 years and under; 13-17 years; adults (18 years +)
- Your poem or flash fiction story must be submitted with a completed entry form (see overleaf)
- Poems can be up to 40 lines long
- Flash Fiction stories can be up to 100 words long
- You may only submit one entry, either a poem or Flash Fiction story
- Your name and address should not appear on your work (only on the entry form)
- All entries must be the original work of the author and not have been previously published, recorded or broadcast
- By entering the competition you are agreeing, should you win, that your entry can be published on the Literature Festival and arts derbyshire websites. Copyright will remain with you as the author.

Entries must be received before April Fool's Day on Sunday 1st April 2012

Winners will be notified by: Monday 16th April 2012

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Please complete the following details:	
Name:	
Address:	
Telephone Number: (including area code)	
E-mail:	
Title of entry:	
Please tick if your entry is: <input type="checkbox"/> a poem or <input type="checkbox"/> a Flash Fiction story	
Age: (if 18 years or over, please put 'adult')	
School/College: (if applicable)	
<p>Please send your entries to:</p> <p>alison.betteridge@derbyshire.gov.uk or</p> <p>Ali Betteridge Literature Development Officer Alfreton Library Severn Square Alfreton Derbyshire DE55 7BQ</p>	
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