

Slipstream Poets

invite entries to their

Open Poetry Competition 2022

ON ANY SUBJECT

Prizes: £300; £150; £75 with a further £50 for the best West Sussex entry.

Closing date 28th February 2022

Winners will be notified individually by 31st March 2022 & all results and the winning poems will be published on the Slipstream Web Site.

www.slipstream-poets.co.uk

Adjudicator – Roger Elkin

Roger Elkin's poetry has won over 200 Prizes and Awards internationally (**62 Firsts**), including the *Sylvia Plath Award for Poems about Women*. His 13 collections include **Blood Brothers**, (2006); **No Laughing Matter** (2007); **Dog's Eye View** (2009); **Fixing Things** (2011); **Bird in the Hand** (2012); **Marking Time** (2013); **Chance Meetings** (2014); **Sheer Poetry** (2020) and **The Leading Question** (2021). Editor of *Envoi* (1991-2006), he was the first recipient of the *Howard Sergeant Memorial Award for Services to Poetry* (1987). A published critic on Ted Hughes, Roger tutored at Wedgwood College, Barlaston, and was shortlisted for the Strokestown International Poetry Prize (2004).

Rules

- Poems must not have previously won a prize in any competition, been accepted for publication or have been published either, online or in print.
- Winning poems will be published in full on the Slipstream Web Site
- The copyright of all poems remains with the author.
- Poems must not exceed 60 lines nor carry any means of identifying the author.
- Entry Fees: £5.00 for the initial poem and £3.50 for each additional one.
- Entries may be made by post enclosing a cheque, or online by debit card
- Postal entries - each poem must be on a separate sheet – West Sussex entries 2 copies please
- Please use the correct postage for the size and weight of your work and no recorded mail. (it's a 14 mile round trip to the sorting office)
- Online entries – **go to www.slipstream-poets.co.uk** – please submit multiple poems in a single document with page breaks between poems
- Entry forms and poems to the Competition Secretary by 28th February 2022 please
- Entry fees and Prize Money to be paid in pounds sterling
- Winners will be notified by end of March and the results will be on our website.

Additional Prize for West Sussex entrants

West Sussex entrants will be further judged and the best poem by a West Sussex writer will be awarded The Jim Johnston 'Chanctonbury Cup' and **a separate prize of £50.00**. The Cup Winner and commended poets will be invited to read their poems at a Presentation event details of which will be notified.

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Open Poetry Competition 2022 Entry Forms

Entry fee(s) £5.00 for the first and £3.50 for each additional poem.
Payment and prizes in £ sterling only.

For On-Line Entry Form please go to www.slipstream-poets.co.uk

Postal Entry Form			
<i>Name of author</i>			
<i>Name on cheque</i>			
<i>Address</i>		West Sussex	
		Yes	No
<i>Post code</i>			
<i>Email address</i>			
<i>Phone numbers</i>			
<i>Titles of poems</i>			
I enclose a cheque for £		Payable to SLIPSTREAM POETS	

Send entry form, cheque and poems, each on a separate sheet (2 copies for West Sussex entrants) by 28th February 2022 to:
Competition Secretary, 9 Beechwood, Southwater, West Sussex RH13 9JU