



# "STEP-ON-US"

## 2017 ZIONSVILLE SIDEWALK POETRY CONTEST

# Rules

1. The 2017 Zionsville Sidewalk Poetry Contest ("Contest") is sponsored by the Zionsville Cultural District, Inc. ("ZCD"), an Indiana nonprofit corporation, with an address of 225 W. Hawthorne Street, Zionsville, IN 46077. These Rules are to be read in conjunction with the 2017 "Step-On-Us" Zionsville Sidewalk Poetry Contest Entry Form, available at [www.zionsvilleculturaldistrict.org](http://www.zionsvilleculturaldistrict.org), which is incorporated into these Rules by reference.
2. Each person ("Author") may submit up to two original poems in English. The text and subject matter must be appropriate for the general public. Poems that are explicitly religious, political, graphically violent or overtly sexual will not be considered.
3. Poems can be previously published or unpublished as long as they are the original work of the Author and the Author has the right to allow third parties to publish the poem(s), as set forth in the Entry Form.
4. Authors retain full copyright in and to their submissions. By participating in the Contest, Authors grant to ZCD and the Town of Zionsville a license to use their submissions as set for in the Entry Form.
5. Two divisions will be judged:
  - a. Adult (Indiana resident, age 19 or older)
  - b. Youth (students, age 18 and under, resident of Zionsville, IN)
6. If Submitting online at [www.zionsvilleculturaldistrict.org](http://www.zionsvilleculturaldistrict.org):
  - Complete the online Entry Form.
  - Include a non-refundable entry fee of \$10 for adults (age 19 or older) or \$5 for youth (student, 18 and under).

7. If Submitting by Mail or Hand-Delivery:
  - Obtain an Entry Form from ZCD's website ([www.zionsvilleculturaldistrict.org](http://www.zionsvilleculturaldistrict.org)). Entry Forms will also be available for pickup at 225 W. Hawthorne Street, Zionsville, IN 46077.
  - A non-refundable entry fee of \$10 for adults (age 19 or older) or \$5 for youth (student, 18 and under) must be included with your Entry Form. Checks should be made payable to Zionsville Cultural District and mailed or delivered to 225 W. Hawthorne Street, Zionsville, IN 46077.
8. Submissions will be reviewed by a panel of judges in a 100% blind judging process. The judging panel will consist of three ZCD Board members, one member of the board of Poetry on Brick Street, and a representative from the Poetry Society of Indiana. Judging criteria include originality, creativity and artistic quality, all of which will be weighed equally by the judges. The judges are not required to name any winners at all. All submissions must comply with the Contest's rules, as determined by the panel of judges. All decisions of the panel of judges will be final.
9. Submissions are due by 11:59 pm on (or postmarked by) March 30, 2017. Winners will be announced during the month of April 2017, which is also National Poetry Month. A representative of the Town of Zionsville and a representative of ZCD will make the announcement.
10. The winning submissions will be installed on sidewalks in the Town of Zionsville on a timetable established by the Town of Zionsville. Winners shall be required to sign a release in a form required by ZCD and to comply with any other requirements established by ZCD as a condition to their submission(s) being installed on any sidewalks. The approximate verifiable retail value of the publication of a submission is \$100.