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CITY-WIDE POETRY CONTEST ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS

POETS ELEVEN

SAN FRANCISCO, CA – San Francisco poets, get your pens—Friends of the San Francisco Public Library and their Poet-in-Residence Jack Hirschman, together with the San Francisco Public Library, are pleased to announce **Poets 11 2016**. This citywide poetry contest and reading series collects poems from every neighborhood and features poetry readings at branch libraries in each of the City's 11 districts.

Submissions will be accepted **through June 15th, 2016**

Local poets are encouraged to submit up to three poems. Poetry is chosen by Jack Hirschman and selected poets are announced at each of the branch events. All types of poetry are accepted. Writings which reflect San Francisco's diversity of language and culture and those written in languages other than English are highly encouraged.

Selected poets will be presented with a \$50 honorarium and their poems will be published in an anthology. Now in its sixth iteration, Poets 11 continues to celebrate San Francisco's rich literary life and thriving poetry community.

Beginning in this summer, selected poets will take the microphone and share their works in a variety of languages and topics. Eleven events will take place at branch libraries, concluding with a final event featuring all participating poets at the Main Library's Koret Auditorium in the fall.

Submission Guidelines

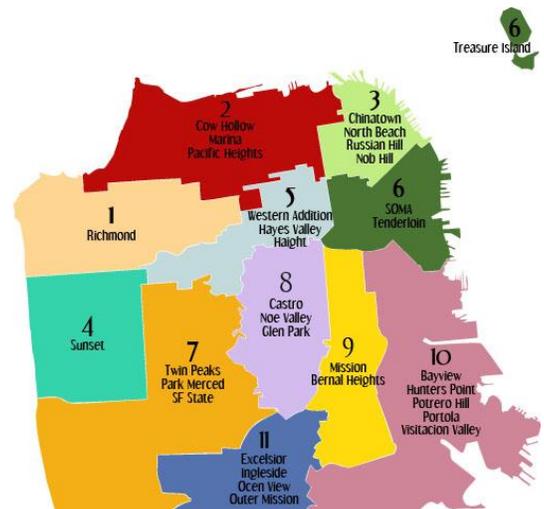
- Must be 18 or over to participate.
- Must reside in one of San Francisco's 11 Districts. For information on city districts, please visit sfbos.org.
- Submissions must include a return address, email or phone number and district number for response.
- Poets can submit up to three poems by email to bspoonerbookevents@friendssfpl.org or by mail to:

Readers Bookstore Fort Mason

ATTN: Poets 11

2 Marina Blvd

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For more information or to download the submission form, please visit friendssfpl.org or call (415) 626-7500. The deadline for all submissions is June 15th, 2016.