

## **POETRY CONTEST “THE COUNTRY I LOVE”**

**Deadline: June 30, 2025**

### **HOW TO ENTER THE POETRY CONTEST**

1. This contest is open to everyone who is 16 years old and older. It does not matter what country you live in. You may be a published poet or an unpublished poet.
2. Submit up to 7 poems in English or Polish, up to 100 lines each. Poems may be rhymed or free verse.
3. Include a cover letter with complete contact information (name, address, telephone, and email address), titles of the poems you are submitting and a brief biography. We prefer EMAIL SUBMISSIONS. Send your submission as the attachment in docx. or doc. format to: [contests@polishamericanpoetsacademy.org](mailto:contests@polishamericanpoetsacademy.org) or to the address below.
4. Entry fee\*: \$10/poem (a suggested donation). Make check/Money Order payable to: Polish American Poets Academy and send to: Polish American Poets Academy, PO BOX 3163, Wallington, NJ 07057, USA.

We also accept the Western Union and PayPal money transfer. (Please contact us for the further information.). No entry fee for Polish American Poets Academy Members (See MEMBERSHIP page, [www.polishamericanpoetsacademy.org](http://www.polishamericanpoetsacademy.org) ).

5. Deadline: June 30, 2025. Make sure to send only copies of your poems (not originals) as manuscripts will be destroyed following the competition.
6. Winners will be contacted via email or by regular mail.
7. Polish American Poets Academy reserves the non-exclusive right to use all poems in publications and/or for promotional purposes.
8. Prizes & Awards: Prizes, 1 year honorary membership, recognition, free copies of anthology (if published) and more.
9. Poems will be judged by an independent committee of established poets under the administration of Polish American Poets Academy, Inc.

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