



# Her Kind

## Poem Contest

To celebrate the opening of the Rural Oklahoma Museum of Poetry's exhibit **Her Kind: The Witch in History, Popular Culture and Poetry**, ROMP, Locust Grove, is conducting a poetry contest with cash prizes. Winning poems will become a part of the exhibit.

To enter, write your own creative poem with the subject matter and theme of "the witch." Judges will be looking for creative and innovative ways of writing about this topic, so do a bit of research and consideration, plus revising, to come up with an original observation about witches. You can write about a witch from history or popular culture, the witch in general, or a specific witch or person considered to be a witch.

### Contest Guidelines:

**CASH PRIZES totaling \$675**

1. Anyone in the U.S. is eligible to enter.
2. Poems will be judged in 3 categories: Ages 8-12, Ages 13-17, Ages 18+
3. Cash awards for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> will be given in each category.
4. The maximum length for poems is 30 lines.
5. Poems can be rhymed or unrhymed.
6. One poem per person.
7. Previous winning poems cannot be submitted again.
8. A signed Entry Form or online form must be filled out and turned in with the poem.



### Contest Evaluation Criteria:

Poems will be judged based on these criteria: imagery, creativity, language, originality and theme

### To Submit:

**DEADLINE: Sept. 23, 2023**

1. Mail your poem with the attached entry form.

OR

2. Submit your poem in the body of an email to [ROMPoetry@gmail.com](mailto:ROMPoetry@gmail.com). You must include this information in your email or you will not be entered in the contest:
  - a. Name
  - b. Full Mailing Address (include address or PO box, town and zip)
  - c. Category: 8-12, 13-17, 18+
  - d. Originality Confirmation: (include this sentence in your email): I confirm that the attached poem was written by me and is original to me.
  - e. Complete Poem with Title

Rural Oklahoma Museum of Poetry PO Box 1243 Locust Grove OK 74352

## Her Kind Poem Contest Entry Form

Name:

Full Mailing Address:

Circle Category:    Age 8-12                      Age 13-17                      Age 18+

School (unless adult):

Phone:

Email Address:

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### ORIGINALITY CONFIRMATION

**This must be signed in order to enter the contest.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Your Name),

confirm that the attached poem was written by me and is original to me.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Date)