



2008 Young Poets Writing Challenge

The New York State 4-H Dog Program is providing another opportunity for dog lovers to demonstrate their creative talents! Young poets (age 5 – 19) will have an opportunity to have their original work displayed at the NYS Fair in August 21 – September 1, 2008.

Entries must be postmarked by July 21st, 2008.

Who may enter?

Any youth currently affiliated with 4-H Youth Development Programming in New York State.

Eligibility:

Qualifying contestants must give permission for their creative writing to be displayed and used for publicity. The contest is entered and selected in NY.

What types of poetry may be submitted?

Please limit your entries to limericks or haikus.

Limerick: a rhymed poem of 5 lines.

Haiku: Japanese poetry of 17 syllables divided into 3 lines of 5, 7 and 5 syllables.

Limerick example (dog agility):

My dog doesn't run in the rain,
She thinks getting wet is a pain,
She hides in the chute,
I think she's a hoot,
But she thinks that I am insane.
by Kathleen Truesdell

Haiku sample (dog agility):

Run and jump and turn!
Agility partners' dream.
Love poem in motion.
by Ilze in Wisconsin

Suggested Categories:

Dog Science / Dog Sports / Dog Helper / Best Friend / 4-H Dog Activity / Dog Breeds Around the World

Judging Criteria:

Limericks & haikus will be evaluated on the following criteria, by a panel of 4-H educators, public educators and dog enthusiasts.

1. Adherence to the limerick or Haiku structure
2. Original thought and perspective
3. Clarity of expression

How Many Poems May I Enter: There is no limit to the number of entries per youth.

Winners: Winners will be announced & displayed in the Dog Science / Cynology booth at the 2008 NYS Fair – Youth building.

How do I enter?

- ✓ Completed entry forms may be handwritten or typed.
- ✓ All entries become the property of Cornell and will not be returned.
- ✓ Each entry must be accompanied by a signed release form.

Suggested Curriculum Resource:

Building Bridges: Creative Wordworking, *Fun Ideas for Writers*. Intended for youth who enjoy creative writing, these materials contain ideas to stimulate self expression including sections on keeping journals, writing poetry, and other enjoyable ways to have fun with words.

http://www.cerp.cornell.edu/4h/search_result_details.asp?pid=1771

NYS 4-H Dog Program

2008 Young Poets Writing Challenge Entry Form

Full Name of Youth: _____ Age: _____

Affiliation with 4-H: _____

Street Address / P.O. Box: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____ / _____

Email Address: _____

Check one: Limerick Haiku (1 entry per form, no limit to number of entries per youth)

Title: _____

Your submission:

Be sure to enclose a signed release form with your entry. Entries must be postmarked by Monday, July 21, 2008 and mailed to:

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