



UNIVERSITY of HAWAII  
**WINDWARD**  
 COMMUNITY COLLEGE



HAWAII COUNCIL FOR THE HUMANITIES

S T U D E N T  
**Poetry Contest**

**CELEBRATE POETRY!**

Windward Community College and the Hawai'i Council for the Humanities, with the support of the Windward Arts Council and the Atherton Family Foundation, invite Hawai'i's students in grades 3-12 to participate in the 10th Annual Star Poets poetry contest.

**SHARE YOUR VOICE!**

Share your unique voice and vision through poetry writing. Submit up to 5 **original** poems on any topic. Students submitting more than one poem will be judged on their body of work. Please limit your poem to 20 lines.

Winning students will be invited to read their work at a public reading and award ceremony in May 2010.

**WIN PRIZES!**

**5 TOP PRIZES PER GRADE**

- Students: \$50 prize to the top 5 poets in each grade.
- Schools: \$100 prize to the top poets' schools to enhance literacy programs, with a maximum cap of \$500 per school.

**HUMANITIES PRIZE**

This year a special prize will be awarded to one or more poems that explore local identity and memory or evoke a vivid sense of place.

Teachers will be notified of winning students in April 2010 via email. Award Ceremony information will be available by April 2010 and winning poems will be posted in May 2010 on Windward Community College's website.

**DETAILS**

- ~ Public, private, charter, and homeschools welcome.
- ~ The contest is open to students in grades 3-12.
- ~ The Release Form must be signed to enter the Star Poets contest.
- ~ Use the entry form or a separate white sheet of paper for each poem entered.
- ~ Leave a one inch left margin.
- ~ Students submitting more than one poem should staple them together with one release form.
- ~ Do not write student's name or school on the actual poem – only on the release form.
- ~ Type or print legibly in blue or black ink only.
- ~ Poems longer than 20 lines will be disqualified.
- ~ Follow the 5 poem limit.

Postmark entries by **January 29, 2010** and mail to:

**Star Poets Contest**  
 c/o Janine Oshiro  
 Windward Community College  
 45-720 Kea'ahala Road  
 Kane'ohe, Hawai'i 96744

Questions? Call Janine Oshiro at 236-9231 or email [wccstarpoets@gmail.com](mailto:wccstarpoets@gmail.com).

For additional entry forms and to enjoy the winning poems from the 2009 contest log on to our website:

[windward.hawaii.edu/poets](http://windward.hawaii.edu/poets)

**RELEASE FORM** (Please print clearly)

Windward Community College and the Hawai'i Council for the Humanities have my permission to reprint the poem/s entitled \_\_\_\_\_ written by \_\_\_\_\_. I also irrevocably consent to and authorize the use and reproduction of photographs taken of the above student, without compensation, for use by Star Poets for website, advertising, or public relations efforts.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Print name or parent/guardian

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 Signature of parent/guardian

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher's email address \_\_\_\_\_