



Wonky Animals Poetry Competition



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We're looking for five brand new poems to appear in a pamphlet to be published in 2023. *Ten Poems about Wonky Animals* will contain a poem by each of the Wonky Animals Poets (Anna Barker, Kathryn Bevis, Jane Burn, Tania Hershman, Clare Shaw) leaving five slots available to be filled by YOU!

Timeline

Submissions close midnight on **Sunday 30th April 2023**.

Poems

Your poem should be no longer than 37 lines, including title and stanza breaks. It must also be new, unpublished, and not currently submitted elsewhere. It should be written in English with a clear link to animals as the subject matter.

Entries

In order to enter, simply visit www.candlestickpress.co.uk and purchase a pamphlet from our website (priced from £5.95 plus postage). Purchases made during the competition entry period 1st March – 30th April 2023 will qualify for entry. Each purchase entitles you to enter **two** poems.

You might want to have a look at existing pamphlets in the Animals category for inspiration and to discover the sort of poems we're looking for.

Email your poems as **separate** Word docs or pdf files to wonkies@candlestickpress.co.uk with each poem's title and your own name as the file names. Please also include your PayPal transaction number, your name, address and a contact telephone number.

There is no limit to how many entries you can make, but each entry of two poems must be accompanied by the PayPal transaction number as proof of purchase.

Prizes

In addition to publication, each of the five winners will receive £75 and 10 copies of the finished pamphlet. No entrant may win more than one prize. Winners retain all rights to their poems.

Charity support

Candlestick Press will make a donation from the sale of each copy of *Ten Poems about Wonky Animals* to livestock sanctuary Manor Farm Charitable Trust www.manorfarmcharitabletrust.org.

Judges

Entries will be judged by the Candlestick editorial team Di Slaney and Kathy Towers, and the Wonky Animals Poetry Collective uk.bookshop.org/shop/WonkyAnimals. The judges' decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into. The winner will be notified by email by 22nd May 2023 and announced via social media on or before 30th May 2023.

Good luck! We look forward to reading your entries.