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### **Wanted: Young Wordsmiths for 6th Annual Friends Poetry Contest**

ELMHURST, IL — The Friends of Elmhurst Public Library is looking to challenge and celebrate Elmhurst's most talented young poets—those prodigies who have a way with words, scintillating syntax, dynamic diction, and an affinity for alliteration—with its 6th Annual Friends Poetry Contest.

The contest, which runs through March 13, is open to fourth- through twelfth-grade students who reside in Elmhurst or attend a school located in Elmhurst. Participants can submit their original work by mail, in person at the library's Welcome Desk, or online at [www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org](http://www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org)—the contest accepts only one entry per participant. All entries must be received by 5 PM on March 13.

The winner of each age group will receive a \$50 City Centre gift certificate; second-place winners in each age group will receive a \$25 City Centre gift certificate. The Elmhurst Public Library will display the winners from each age group, and first- and second-place winners and students receiving honorable mentions will be asked to read their works in a program at the Library to be broadcasted on local cable TV.

See below for the complete contest rules and requirements.

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