



## The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Beyond Baroque Poetry Contest Now Open!

The 5th Annual Beyond Baroque Poetry Contest has begun accepting submissions as of June 1, 2014. The contest accepts entries from anywhere in the United States. The postmark deadline for entries is September 1, 2014. The judge for this year's contest is award winning poet and professor, David St. John from Los Angeles, California.



David St. John has been honored, over the course of his career, with many of the most significant prizes for poets, including both the Rome Fellowship and the Award in Literature from the American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters, the O. B. Hardison Prize (a career award for teaching and poetic achievement) from The Folger Shakespeare Library, and the George Drury Smith Lifetime Achievement Award from Beyond Baroque. He is the author of eleven collections of poetry (including *Study for the World's Body*, nominated for The National Book Award in Poetry), most recently the collections, *The Auroras* and *The Window*, as well as a volume of essays, interviews and reviews entitled *Where the Angels Come Toward Us*. He is also the co-editor of *American Hybrid: A Norton Anthology of New Poetry*. David St. John has written libretti for the opera, *THE FACE*, and for the choral symphony, *THE SHORE*. He lives in Venice Beach, California.

### PRIZES

First Prize: \$1000

Second Prize: \$500

Third Prize: \$250

Five Honorable Mentions will also be awarded.

All winners and honorable mentions will be invited, at their own expense, to read their poem(s) at the Beyond Baroque Poetry Contest Reading on Sunday, November 9, 2014 at Beyond Baroque Literary Arts Center in Venice, California, at 3:00 PM.

**Winners announced October 20, 2014.**

### RULES

1. Entrants must reside in the United States.
2. Poems must be submitted in English. If the poem has been translated from another language, please submit the original as well.
3. Entries of 1-4 poems must be accompanied by a check or money order for \$20 made out to Beyond Baroque. No online submissions or payments will be accepted.  
Multiple entries allowed.
4. You may submit up to 4 poems per entry fee, and each poem has a maximum line limit of 42 for each poem.
5. Each entry should be accompanied by a cover letter with the author's name, address, phone number, email address and the title of each poem being submitted.
6. This is a blind judging. POEMS SHOULD HAVE ONLY THE TITLE OF THE POEM ON THEM, but no personal information such as the poet's name. If the poem takes up more than one sheet of paper, each page should be numbered with the title of the poem on it, and the number of pages listed on each page (1 of 2, and 2 of 2, etc.).
7. If you wish to receive confirmation of your submission, please include your email address, or a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
8. All entries must be postmarked by September 1, 2014.

**Please mail entries to: Beyond Baroque, Poetry Contest, 681 Venice Blvd., Venice CA 90291**

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