SOUTH DOWNS POETRY FESTIVAL COMPETITION

2023

THE BINSTED PRIZE

Judge: Wendy Klein

Wendy Klein was born in New York and brought up in California, She spent time in Sweden, France and Germany, moving to live in England from 1971. She worked as a psychotherapist and began writing poetry seriously just prior to her retirement twenty years ago. She is widely published in magazines and journals, and the latest of her four collections is *Out of the Blue, Selected Poems* (The HighWindow. 2019) Her pamphlet *Let Battle Commence* (Dempsey & Windle, 2020) is based on letters from her great-grandfather, a Confederate soldier in the U.S. Civil War. She has judged several poetry competitions.

Original unpublished poems on any theme are invited for the

Binsted Prize: £300, £150, £50

**Entry fees**

**£5.00 for the first poem, £4.00 for subsequent poems, but poets aged 16-25 can enter for £3.00 per poem**

Post 2 copies of each poem submitted, with entry forms and fees, to:

Competition Secretary, 88, Cleveland Rd, Chichester, PO19 7AF

**to arrive by the closing date of Saturday April 15, 2023**

Prize winners and commended poets will be invited to read their poems, at a poetry evening in Binsted Church near Arundel (BN18 0LL) in June 2023

The judge will also give a reading.

There will also be an anthology of the winning and commended poems, as a record and celebration of the 2023 poetry competition. The winning poem will be published in the South Downs Poetry Festival magazine, *Poetry & All That Jazz.*

**For full details of the South Downs Poetry Festival visit** [www.sdpf.org.uk](http://www.sdpf.org.uk)

**South Downs Poetry Festival Competition Entry Form 2023**

Name...................................................................................

Address, with Postcode.............................................................................

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Email...............................................................

D.o.b (16-25 yr old entrants only) ………….

Phone no................................................

Title(s) of poem(s) submitted

**RULES**

Poems must be the original work of the named author and must not have been previously published or won a prize in any competition.

Poems must not exceed 50 lines, must be typed, single spaced, in Times New Roman 12 point. *No author names on poems - personal details to go on entry form only*

Poems being submitted to other competitions can be accepted subject to withdrawal if another prize is awarded before winners in this competition are notified.

The judge will read all entries and her decision is final. Copyright remains with the author.

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**PAYMENT**

Entry fee: £5 for the first poem, £4.00 for each subsequent one, £3.00 per poem if 16-25 yrs

Send cheque/postal order with poem(s) OR pay on-line at:

[www.thenovium.org/sdpoetry](http://www.thenovium.org/sdpoetry) and then write your reference number below

I enclose a cheque or postal order payable to *Binsted Arts* for £....................

OR I have paid online and my reference no.is ………………

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