

"Eat Your Words: Chocolate & Poetry" part of . . .

# Choctoberfest 2025

## Call for Poets



The Plymouth Bay Cultural District and Foodie Federation present "**Eat Your Words: Chocolate & Poetry**" as part of Plymouth's three-day **Choctoberfest 2025** (October 10–13) to be held at various downtown Plymouth establishments. As part of the event—which celebrates chocolate first and foremost, but also all things foodie—there will be a smorgasboard of poetry served up at the Spire Center for Performing Arts. Event festivities will include live music.

**Call for Poets:** Are you a poet who is also a chocolate lover or all-around foodie? Do you *relish* in relating a tale of *death by chocolate*, or perhaps it was those secret *midnight munchies* that you regret most, or maybe you were just desperate for the *dough* and had no choice. We want to hear your best chocolate or food-themed poetry!

All poets, from any town, are welcome to participate. Ten semifinalists will be notified ahead of time and must be present and able to read their work at the event. Three winners will be announced at the event. One first place prize of \$100 to be awarded; two runner-up prizes of \$50 to be awarded at the event.

**Event date:** Saturday, October 11, 12:00–3:00pm

**Event location:** Spire Center for Performing Arts, 25½ Court St., Plymouth

**Submission deadline:** midnight August 1, 2025. There is no entry fee. Limit one poem per person.

**Submission guidelines:** Central to the poem theme must be an item of chocolate or other food.

File attachment of poem must be a Microsoft Word (.DOCX) file, one page only.

No contact info should appear on your poem page.

**Emails must include in the body of your email:** (1) Your name (2) Your address (3) Your phone no. (4) Your email address and (5) Title of your poem

**Email Subject line must include:** "Eat Your Words: Chocolate & Poetry" (without it attachments will not be opened).

**Email to Foodie Federation Contest Coordinator:** Louisa Clerici, [louisaclerici@comcast.net](mailto:louisaclerici@comcast.net)

Your poem will be sent to the judges without your name to insure anonymity.

We will acknowledge all submissions by email, after received.

**Three judges (announced at event)** will include restaurant, literary, and library insiders.

