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City of Mesquite, Nevada — Poet Laureate Nomination Form

Program Overview

The City of Mesquite Poet Laureate Program sponsored by the *Eureka Community Initiative* recognizes two poets who demonstrate artistic excellence, community engagement, and commitment to using poetry as a civic art. The Poet Laureates serve as ambassadors for poetry, literacy, and creative expression throughout the community.

SECTION 1 — NOMINATION FORM

Nominee Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Eligibility Category (check one):

- Poet Laureate (Adult)
- Junior Poet Laureate (Youth) – Grade: _____

Residency Verification

How long has the nominee lived in Mesquite or the Virgin Valley region?

Nominator Information (if applicable)

Name: _____

Relationship to Nominee: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I confirm that the nominee is aware of this nomination.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

** Questions can be directed to: mesquitenvpoetlaureate@gmail.com or mpac@mesquitenv.gov **



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SECTION 2 — STATEMENT OF INTEREST

(100–500 words — attach separate page)

Please describe:

A. Connection to Mesquite

How has the nominee been involved in the local community, culture, or creative life?

B. Vision for the Role

What would the nominee hope to accomplish as Poet Laureate?

C. Poetry as Civic Art

How does the nominee view poetry as a tool for community engagement, education, or cultural enrichment?

Attach statement here.

SECTION 3 — WRITING SAMPLES

Please submit original poems:

Adult Poet Laureate Applicants

3–5 poems included

Junior Poet Laureate Applicants

2–3 poems included

Poems must be original work by the nominee.



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SECTION 4 — OPTIONAL LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Up to two letters of support may be included.

- Letter 1 attached
- Letter 2 attached

Letters should speak to the nominees:

- artistic merit
- community engagement
- character
- ability to serve as literary ambassador

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Submit completed packet at one of three locations:

Receptionists Office at Mesquite City Hall (10 E Mesquite Blvd)

Mesquite Library Front Desk (121 W 1st N St.)

Mesquite Works STEAM Center (312 W. Mesquite Blvd #116)

Submission Deadline: August 15, 2026

CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information submitted is accurate and that all writing samples are original work.

Nominee Signature: _____ Date: _____