

OLD FORGE LIBRARY
POETRY AND ILLUSTRATION
INSTRUCTION, CONTEST, & EXHIBIT

Entry Deadline: March 1, 2012 @ 8pm
(Or postmarked no later than that date, if mailed)

In anticipation of National Library Week, **The Old Forge Library** announces a Poetry and Illustration Contest for students K-12, and adults from throughout the Mid-York Library region, (Herkimer, Madison & Oneida counties) and the Town of Inlet. "*Mountains and Valleys*" is this year's theme.

CONTEST GUIDELINES:

- Participants must live or attend school within the Mid-York Library region or the Town of Inlet.
- Judging will be in four divisions: K-4th grade, 5th – 8th grade, 9th – 12th grade, and Adult.
- Participants may submit two poems, each poem no longer than one page. The poet's name, grade (except adults), mailing address, and home telephone number must be on the back
- Participants may submit two illustrations. The illustrator's name, grade (except adults), mailing address and home telephone number must be on the back of the illustration.
- Entries in the Poetry Contest will be judged by Roger Bonair-Agard, Rachel McKibbens and Samantha Thornhill.
- Entries in the Illustration Contest will be judged by Mary Kathryn Jablonski and Lynne Browne.

Prizes will be awarded and the winners announced to the public at a reception at the library on Tuesday, March 20 at 7pm. Participants whose poems and illustrations win or receive honorable mention in their divisions will have an opportunity to read and/or display their work at the reception. An exhibit of poems and illustrations will be on display through the month of April.

Entries will be accepted from February 1 to March 1. Entries should be sent or brought to the Old Forge Library, 220 Crosby Boulevard, PO Box 128, Old Forge, NY 13420. Call the Old Forge Library with any questions at 315-369-6008 or email: iworthen@midyork.org

This project will include a Poetry and Illustration Instructional element for students in grades K-12 and adults. The Poetry session will be held Saturday, January 21 from 10 am to noon, with instructors: Star Livingstone (Adult), Melissa Macdonald (K-6) and Paula Roy (7-12). Illustration Workshops will be held Saturday, January 28 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 pm for grades K-6 with instructor Karen Beck and grades 7-12 with instructor Mitch Lee. Adult Illustration with instructor Susan Freese will be held from 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm.

Participants are not required to enter their work in the contest and contest entrants are not required to attend the workshops. Pre-registration is preferred but walk-ins are welcome.

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