







8. For the Open Poetry, Short Story and Adults Writing for Children Categories there is a minimum age of 16 to be eligible to enter.
9. Each poem or short story entered must be the original work of the entrant and must not have been placed first in any other competition at the date of entry or published for profit. The aim of the competition is to encourage writing which celebrates the work of CJ Dennis and relates to Australia's people, events or environment, either historical or contemporary.  
Limit of 2 poems per entrant per category and two short stories per entrant.
10. Please send 2 copies of each poem or short story entered if sent by mail. Do not include any illustrations, signatures or writer's names or your poem/short story will be rejected.
11. Each poem or short story should be typed on plain A4 paper in 12 point Times New Roman, single-spaced and, if longer than one page, the pages must be numbered. If typing is a problem for the author, handwritten work will be accepted, provided the handwriting is clear and a black or dark blue pen is used.
12. Email entries must have poems/short stories as an attachment. Do NOT send links for your entry to be downloaded.
13. The author's name or other identification must only appear on the entry form.
14. All entries must be written in English.
15. Entrants must complete an entry form to accompany the entry or entries. Please print your details clearly.
16. Copyright for all entries submitted remains with the author. Authors give permission to the CJ Dennis Society to publish their poem or short story in an anthology of short-listed entries to be published after the close of the competition and to post their poem or short story online. There will be no payment (other than any prize money) made to authors of published entries.
17. For entries selected for inclusion in any anthology, the publisher reserves the right to edit the works; any editing will be confined to correction of spelling and punctuation where warranted (no 'corrections' will be made to the use of slang).
18. The judges' decisions will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

19. Prize winners will be contacted. However, due to the uncertainty presented by the Corona Virus, prize presentation details will be advised separately. If the pandemic permits, it is planned to combine in-person and Zoom opportunities to participate in the presentation/poetry festival, allowing 'distant' participation.

20. All entries to be posted to:

Toolangi CJ Dennis Poetry Competition

C/o Toolangi Castella Community House

PO Box 1323, Healesville, Vic 3777

OR emailed to: [cjdennispoetrycompetition@gmail.com](mailto:cjdennispoetrycompetition@gmail.com)

### CHECKLIST

Please double-check that you have complied with **ALL** of the above rules, as this makes the task easier for the organisers and judges. To help, please use this checklist:

- no name or other identifier (such as email address) on the actual entries;
- entries emailed or post-marked by 29<sup>th</sup> August 2022;
- 2 copies, typed in Times New Roman, 12 point, single spacing (or, if hand-written, black/dark blue pen, written clearly);
- typed/written on one side only with pages numbered if more than one page per entry;
- entries celebrating the work of CJ Dennis and relating to an Australian subject and, for open poetry and short stories, on the theme set out in the rules;
- each poem entered is maximum 80 lines (Open section and Student sections) or 40 lines for Adults Writing for Children section;
- poems have good rhyme and metre;
- each entry into the Open Poetry, Short Story and Adults Writing for Children sections is by a person 16 years of age or older;
- no entry has won a 1<sup>st</sup> prize anywhere else and has not been published for money;
- paid for by cheque, money order or direct deposit (\$15 per entry; **students free**);
- an entry form **MUST** accompany your entries, filled in by printing clearly and signed; for mailed entries, enclose with your entry; for emailed entries, attached with your entry;
- attach a bank receipt with your entry when paying by direct deposit or money transfer.

# 2022 Toolangi CJ Dennis Poetry Competition Entry Form

Please carefully read the rules of the competition before completing and signing this form.  
Please print carefully and clearly, using a black or dark blue pen.

Name of Entrant: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

For Categories 4 & 5, school classes may submit grouped entries (but poems to written by individual students); give name of school, level of grade and name of teacher above in 'Name of Entrant' field. A list of students and the names of their poems along with their home email addresses must be attached on a separate sheet.  
If you are a student and you will be moving school next year, please include your home address to ensure you receive your Anthology & Certificate. This also applies to anyone expecting to move by January 2023.

## PLEASE PRINT ALL DETAILS CLEARLY

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Landline: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Total entry fee(s) enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$15 per adult entry; student entries free)

List all entries in the table below (maximum of 2 entries per category):

	<b>Title of Entry</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Fee</b>
<b>1</b>			
<b>2</b>			
<b>3</b>			
<b>4</b>			
<b>5</b>			
<b>6</b>			
	Special Membership Offer: \$15 for first 12 months of your membership. NEW MEMBERS ONLY		
	Current Member free entry (ONLY when renewing membership of \$25) (tick at right if it applies, & you will have one free entry)		

TOTAL: \$

I have read the rules of the competition and certify that each entry complies.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(entrant, or parent/guardian, or teacher)

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c/o Toolangi Castella Community House,  
PO Box 1323, Healesville, Vic 3777  
or email: [cjdennispoetrycompetition@gmail.com](mailto:cjdennispoetrycompetition@gmail.com)

**Thank you for entering and Good Luck!**