

March 12, 2019

Dear Summer Hardinge,

Congratulations! You have been selected to receive **1**st **Place** in the Poetry Contest, produced by the Bethesda Urban Partnership!

We invite you to join us at the **Awards Ceremony & Reception** on **Thursday, April 25**th at the **Gallery B** at **7pm**. Please plan to arrive 15 minutes early (6:45pm). At this ceremony, the finalists, Honorable Mentions and Young Poets will read their poems and all prizes will be awarded. Awardwinning poet and contest judge **Michael Glaser** will also be in attendance and read some of his work. A reception will follow the readings and ceremony.

As a reminder, the following prizes will be awarded:

- * **1**st **Place:** \$350, published in *The Writer's Guide* and a free class and membership to The Writer's Center.
- * **2nd Place:** \$250, published on Bethesda Urban Partnership and *The Writer's Center* Web sites and a free class and membership to The Writer's Center.
- * **3rd Place:** \$150, published on Bethesda Urban Partnership and *The Writer's Center* Web sites and a free class and membership to The Writer's Center.
- * **Honorable Mentions & Young Poets:** \$75, published on Bethesda Urban Partnership and *The Writer's Center* Web sites.

Please confirm that you are able attend the ceremony **by March 18.** Feel free to bring along friends, family, co-workers, etc. to join you at this fun event! If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. You can reach me at 301-215-6660 ext. 117 or rbanai@bethesda.org.

Gallery B is located at 7700 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite E in Bethesda, MD. Parking is available on the street or at any public garage. The closest public garage to the event is located at the corner of Woodmont Avenue and Old Georgetown Road, one block from Gallery B. This garage operates with coin operated meters at the rate of \$1.25/hour and payment is required until 10pm, M-F.

Congratulations again, and we look forward to seeing you on Thursday, April 25!

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