

Hengistbury Head Writing Competition 2018

Do you love writing and Hengistbury Head?

Our competition is back for its fourth year, and once again we are looking for poems about the Head and short stories - experiences and memories of Hengistbury Head; its landscapes and views; its flora and fauna; its seasonal changes; its history and people.



The competition is FREE to enter and is open to all ages. See overleaf for details. [The closing date is Sunday 8th July, 2018](#) with a prize-giving event, and celebration on Sunday 22nd July at 11am, at the Visitor Centre. All entrants will be considered for publication in our forthcoming Anthology.

Competition Rules: General

1. The competition is open to all, in three age categories: Adult (18+); Teen (13-17); Child (12 and under).
2. The closing date for the competition is 4pm on Sunday 8th July 2018.
3. There is no charge for entering the competition.
4. Three pieces maximum to be entered per person.
5. Entries must be accompanied by a completed entry form (forms may be photocopied). One entry form may cover multiple entries.
6. Entries cannot be returned so please keep a copy.
7. Pieces cannot be altered once submitted.
8. If you would like confirmation that your postal entry has been received, please include a stamped addressed envelope/postcard with your entry. Entries made via e-mail will receive an e-mail of confirmation.
9. Postal entries to Richard Hesketh, Hengistbury Head Visitor Centre, Broadway, Southbourne, BH6 4EN. E-mail entries to Richard.hesketh@bournemouth.gov.uk. Please mark "WRITING COMPETITION" in the subject.
10. Telephone confirmation of receipt is not available.
11. The judges' decision is final and the judges will not enter into any correspondence.
12. Entrant retains copyright.

Competition Rules: Pieces

12. Each piece will be judged separately on its own merits.
13. All entries are judged anonymously.
14. The writers name and address must not appear on the pieces entered, nor any other marks that could identify you.
15. All pieces must have a title and poems must not exceed 40 lines in length (excluding title) and short stories 500 words (excluding title)
16. Pieces must have Hengistbury Head, its wildlife, flora, landscapes, views, people, history, people's memories or experiences of the Head, as their theme. It is not sufficient just to have 'Hengistbury Head' in the poem's title.
17. Pieces must be the original work of the entrant, and must be written in English.
18. Pieces entered must not have been published, self-published, published on a website, broadcast or featured among the winners in another competition.
19. Entries should be typed and printed in black ink on white A4 paper (for postal entries) at a minimum type size of 12pt. Pieces may span two pages but pages must not be double-sided. Please do not staple pages. Handwritten entries will be accepted but must be clearly written and legible.
20. Winners will be notified by 15th July, and will be announced publicly, and prizes awarded.

Any questions? - Please contact Richard Hesketh on 01202 451618, or e-mail richard.hesketh@bournemouth.gov.uk