



# Geauga Park District's 30th Annual



# NATURE WRITING CONTEST

Photo: Tom Malinchak

**3 AGE CATEGORIES · POETRY, PROSE OR BOTH · GET PUBLISHED · CASH PRIZES!**

### ENTER

By Earth Day, Tuesday, April 22, 2025,  
either to [sward@geaugaparkdistrict.org](mailto:sward@geaugaparkdistrict.org)  
or Geauga Park District, Attn: NWC,  
9160 Robinson Road, Chardon, OH 44024  
*Please submit a new form (below) for each entry  
(no staples please) -or- for email entry, type form  
info into body of email, then attach entry/entries  
as attachment(s). Submit each entry only once.*

### RESULTS

Posted to [geaugaparkdistrict.org](http://geaugaparkdistrict.org) on  
Monday, May 12, under News & Updates;  
winners will be notified by mail

### RULES

- All entries must be inspired in some way by Nature.
- **Names should NOT appear on pages to be judged;**  
please double check entries to ensure this rule is followed.  
Names are withheld for judging by professional editors  
and published writers from Northeast Ohio.
- **One poem and one prose will be accepted per writer.**  
**Prose** must be typed, double-spaced and fewer  
than 800 words. **Poetry** must be single-spaced.

Entries may be disqualified if aforementioned rules are not followed.

Questions? Contact Sandy Ward at [sward@geaugaparkdistrict.org](mailto:sward@geaugaparkdistrict.org) or 440-226-2544.

*Save a Tree — Email Your Form Info & Entry to the Email Address Above. **Good Luck!***

### WHAT YOU CAN WIN

*Special thanks to the Foundation for Geauga Parks  
for again helping us offer better cash prizes this year!*

- **Adults & adolescents:** 1st \$100, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$30  
**Children:** 1st \$50, 2nd \$35, 3rd \$20
- Get honored, do a reading of your work, and hear  
your judge's remarks during a special invitation-only  
celebration one Wednesday evening in July at  
Claridon Woodlands (attendance not required to win)
- Get published in our chapbook and on our website
- Get recognition in our summer activity guide,  
reaching almost 43,000 Geauga households
- **Access to digital entries must be immediate via email  
attachment or filesharing link with open permissions;**  
please ask a third party to double-check all links to  
ensure compliance.
- Students **must** provide home/summertime phone  
and email contact information.
- Assistance to children must be limited to  
technological help; no editorial or writing support.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
first last

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
mailing address city state ZIP

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE OF WORK \_\_\_\_\_

**CATEGORY**  
(mark only one)

**PROSE**  Adult (18+)  
 Adolescent (12-17) \*  
 Child (11 & under) \*

**POETRY**  Adult (18+)  
 Adolescent (12-17) \*  
 Child (11 & under) \*

\* AGE \_\_\_\_\_



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