NOMINATION FORM

Call for Nomination For the Position of Parliamentary Poet Laureate for Canada

Eligibility

- In order to give equal representation to Canada's two official languages, Poets Laureate
 are selected alternately from each official language community. The next poet is
 expected to work primarily in English for the 2020-2021 term.
- The Parliament of Canada recognizes the diversity of Canada's literary scene and encourages the participation of poets from all communities.
- Candidates must be residents of Canada.

Criteria for selection

Candidates must:

- have made significant contributions to the literary community
- have a substantial record demonstrating literary excellence
- be available to travel throughout Canada to promote the value of poetry
- be available to participate in parliamentary events, as required

Process for nomination

Nominations for the position can be submitted by a member of a literary or writing organization, a Parliamentarian or directly by interested candidates.

The nominator must inform the nominee of the submission.

Submission

Incomplete submissions and unsolicited attachments will not be considered.

Poet Laureate Selection Committee
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If you have questions, please call (613) 992-4793 or 1-866-599-4999 or e-mail info@parl.gc.ca

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You may use the online form to fill-in the required information but, you **must** print and send the form by mail.

NOMINEE'S PERSONAL INFORMATION										
Name										
Last:	First:		Mr.	Ms.	Mrs.	Miss				
Language preference										
Language preference:	English	French								
Home address										
Street:										
City:										
Province/Territory:		Postal Code:								
Tel.:		Fax:								
E-mail:										

NOMINATOR'S PERSONAL INFORMATION (if applicable)										
Name										
Last:	First:		Mr.	Ms.	Mrs.	Miss				
Language preference										
Language preference:	English	French								
Title										
Organization										
Address										
Street:										
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Please print this page and include it with the nomination form.

The quality of the accompanying supporting documentation, including letters of support, is vitally important to the nomination. Nominators must ensure the following materials are received in the following order:

a completed nomination form;

a letter of nomination;

a brief description (up to 250 words) of the nominee's significant contributions to the literary community and why he or she should be considered an outstanding nominee (this may be part of the nominator's letter);

a brief description (up to 250 words) of how the nominee has influenced other literary artists (this may be part of the nominator's letter);

a one-page biography of the nominee, summarizing education, significant achievements, current professional activities, any honours or awards received and a copy of the nominee's current bibliography; <u>OR</u> a copy of the nominee's current curriculum vitae, including the above-noted information;

two letters from colleagues in the literary field supporting the nomination;

five copies of one example of the nominee's work (choosing a selection referenced by the nominator in any of the nomination materials will assist the Selection committee). These could be published or an audio or video tape of work in the oral tradition;

a letter from the nominee confirming that he/she is willing to stand for nomination; take on the role of ambassador for literature; travel throughout Canada promoting literature; participate in Parliamentary events; and outlining what he/she would like to bring to the position in terms of public outreach or specific activities.

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