



## Town of Los Gatos Poet Laureate Application

**Deadline: November 2, 2018 @ 5:00 p.m.**

### Poet Laureate Overview:

The Town Poet Laureate is an honorary position selected by the Town Poet Laureate Selection Committee and appointed by Town Council. Originally established in 2010, the Poet Laureate actively works to promote poetry and literature in the Town of Los Gatos. The Poet Laureate will serve a three-year term beginning in January of 2019 and ending in December of 2021.

Qualifications for the position of Poet Laureate:

- Los Gatos resident
- At least 18 years old
- Have had poetry published or been recognized for contributions to poetry or other literature

Expectations for the position of Poet Laureate:

- Plan and present an annual poetry program of the Poet Laureate's design at the Library
- Annual participation in a Town event
- Annual outreach and/or program promoting poetry in a local school
- Represent the Town through original poetry
- Present a poem at a Town Council meeting during the April Poetry Month
- Submit a collection of poetry produced during the Poet Laureate's tenure to the Library Archives at the completion of their term

### To Apply:

Please submit:

- The attached application;
- copies of three (3) original poems (published or unpublished);
- letter of interest, *maximum one page*, which also describes your contributions to poetry or other literature;
- two (2) letters of recommendation to:

Ryan Baker, Los Gatos Library  
100 Villa Ave., Los Gatos, CA 95030  
[rbaker@losgatosca.gov](mailto:rbaker@losgatosca.gov)

Finalists will be invited to an interview to be held in November.



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<b>First Name:</b>		<b>Last Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>		<b>City:</b>	
<b>State:</b>		<b>Zip Code:</b>	
<b>Daytime Phone:</b>		<b>Evening Phone:</b>	
<b>Email Address:</b>			
<b>Brief bio (max 100 words):</b>			
<b>Please initial that you understand and affirm the following:</b>			
I am at least 18 years of age.			
I am the sole creator of the three attached poems.			
I am currently a resident of Los Gatos			
I understand this position is voluntary and does not receive monetary compensation, expense reimbursement, or benefits from the Town.			

I certify that all of the information in this application and all attachments are true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

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Applicant's Signature & Date