



# POLLINATORS POETRY PRIZE

## Part of the Creative Ireland Programme in Laois

Submissions are invited for this new poetry prize, to raise awareness of Pollinators. Winners will be invited to read at a special event as part of as part of the Laois Leaves Literary Festival at Emo Court Co Laois, at 12 noon on Sunday 12th November 2017. The event will also feature the premiere of a newly commissioned music work entitled "Thresholds", on the theme of Pollinators, by Ian Wilson.

**Prizes:** Adult (1st Prize €200, 2nd Prize €100), Age 15 – 18 years (1st prize €50), Age 12 – 14 years (1st prize €50) and age 7 – 11 years (1st prize €50).



**Write a poem  
themed on  
pollinators**

**Part of the  
Creative Ireland  
Programme in  
Laois**

**Entries in  
Irish or English**

**Categories:  
Adult, Age 7-11,  
Age 12-14,  
Age 15-18**

**Be part of a  
celebration event  
as part of the  
Laois Leaves  
Literary Festival,  
12<sup>th</sup> November**

### **SUBMIT TO:**

Arts Office  
Laois County Council  
Portlaoise, Co Laois

057-866 4000

[www.laois.ie](http://www.laois.ie)

**Closing date 27<sup>th</sup> October**

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## Submission Guidelines

1. Poetry should feature themes related to those explored in the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan ([www.biodiversityireland.ie](http://www.biodiversityireland.ie))
2. There is no entry fee. No more than one entry per person should be submitted. We regret that entries cannot be returned.
3. All entries must be typed on A4 paper and in the English or Irish language. A line limit of 40 lines applies
4. Prizes will be awarded for the following categories: Adult (1st Prize €200, 2nd Prize €100), Age 15 – 18 years (1st prize €50), Age 12 – 14 years (1st prize €50) and age 7 – 11 years (1st prize €50). Poems may not have been previously published in journals, periodicals and anthologies.
5. Entries should be submitted with the official entry form attached. The author's name should not appear anywhere on the manuscript.
6. Submissions will be judged by a panel put together by Creative Ireland Laois and will include a published poet. The judging panel's decision is final.
7. Entry implies acceptance of all the rules. Failure to comply with the entry requirements will result in disqualification.
8. The deadline for submissions is 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 at 4.30pm.
9. Entries are strictly accepted by post or by hand to the address below. (email or electronic applications are ineligible)
10. Entries to : Pollinators Poetry Competition, The Arts Office, Laois County Council, Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise, Co Laois.
11. Winners will be invited to read at a special event as part of as part of the Laois Leaves Literary Festival, at 12 noon on Sunday 12th November 2017. The event will also feature the premiere of a newly commissioned music work on Pollinators by Ian Wilson.

## Entry Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Poem: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Category:  Adult  Age 15 – 18 years  Age 12 – 14 years  Age 7 – 11 years