



**BINALONG BUSH POETRY PRIZE +
NSW BUSH POETRY CHAMPIONSHIPS
BINALONG NSW
9-11 SEPTEMBER 2016**

**CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES MON 8 AUGUST 2016
POST TO: VICKI ROYDS, COMPETITION COORDINATOR
PO BOX 116 BINALONG NSW 2584**

JUNIOR ENTRY FORM

Binalong Arts Group Inc. is proud to present the Binalong Bush Poetry Prize and the New South Wales Bush Poetry Championships, conducted under the auspices of the Australian Bush Poets Association (ABPA).

ABOUT THE EVENT

In 2013 Binalong's long and proud poetic history was extended to include the Binalong Banjo Paterson Bush Poetry Prize. In 2014 the event was expanded to host the 2014 ABPA NSW Bush Poetry Championships and we are delighted to announce that the Binalong Bush Poetry Prize 2016 will again host the ABPA NSW Bush Poetry Championships, offering over \$5,500 in prize money.

Junior prize money is \$350, with both a Junior Written and a Junior Performance Competition.

1st: \$100 2nd: \$50 3rd: \$25

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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Saturday night will feature our Celebrate Australia Concert. Sunday the Juniors are in action, with the Junior Performance Competition and the announcement of the Junior Written winners.

Come and enjoy the thrill of competition or sit back and enjoy the open mic sessions (Juniors welcome). The walk-ups provide a warm and encouraging space for the non-competitive, the nervous and those who prefer to read, as well as a warm-up stage for competitors.

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be about Australian life, its people or history, past or present. Entries close Monday 8 August.

Late entries in the Junior Performance Competition MAY be accepted at the organisers' discretion, including on the day, depending on numbers.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

GENERAL AND SECTION INFORMATION

1. Poems in the written sections must be entrant's own original work and are not to have previously won first prize in any other competition or been published for the financial gain of the author. Judge's decision will be final. No correspondence will be entered into. Copyright remains with author.
2. Please send copies of each entry typed on one side of A4 paper. No name or other personal identification marks to appear on entries. Use the entry form as a cover sheet and forward to Vicki Royds, Competition Coordinator, Binalong Bush Poetry Junior Competition, PO Box 116, Binalong NSW 2584. Closing date: Monday 8 August.
3. Poems will not be returned. Please send copies only, not original manuscripts.
4. If results are required please send a standard self-addressed envelope.
5. Unsigned entries not accepted. If the entrant is under 18 a parent or guardian must sign.
6. Entrants agree to allow their poems, if placed, to be read to audiences at the Binalong Bush Poetry Prize Poets' Breakfast on Sunday 11 September.
7. In the performance section, one poem only to be performed per poet. All material to be presented must be family orientated. Offensive material will not be tolerated.
8. Performance competitions and all competitions announcements will take place on Sunday 11 September at the Binalong Bush Poetry Prize Poets' Breakfast, at the Binalong Mechanics Institute (Binalong Hall) from 8.30am.
9. The organisers reserve the right to vary the terms, conditions and program in any way, including times and venues. Hopefully we won't have to.

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SECTION 1 - JUNIOR WRITTEN

UNDER 19 Open Style

PRIZE: 1st: \$100 2nd: \$50 3rd: \$25

ENTRY FREE

Poems must be original. One poem per poet.

Title of Entry:

SECTION 2 - JUNIOR PERFORMANCE

UNDER 19 Open Style

PRIZE: 1st: \$100 2nd: \$50 3rd: \$25

ENTRY FREE

Poems performed may be original or traditional. One poem per poet.

Title of Entry:

Please sign entrant's declaration permission and send to festival address by Monday 8 August 2016. If under 18 please get a parent or guardian to sign.

ENTRANT'S DECLARATION

I declare that the written verse is entirely my own original work.

Name:

Male/Female

Address:

P/Code:

Phone:

Age:

E-Mail:

Signature (if over 18) _____

I give permission for my child/ward to take part in the Binalong Bush Poetry Junior Competition

Name of parent/guardian/teacher _____

Signature _____