



2024 City of Redmond Poet Laureate Call

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DEADLINE: Friday, September 8, 2023 at 10pm PST

FUNDING: \$5,000 Annual Stipend

SCHEDULE:

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| • Monday, June 12, 2023 | Call opens |
| • Friday, September 8, 2023 | Applications due, 10pm PST |
| • Friday, September 22, 2023 | Finalist selection announced |
| • Thursday, October 5, 2023 | Finalist Interviews |
| • Monday, October 16, 2023 | Poet Laureate Selection Announced |
| • Jan 1, 2024-Dec 2025 | Term (contract renews annually) |

OPPORTUNITY

The City of Redmond seeks applications for the position of Redmond Poet Laureate. The purpose of the Redmond Poet Laureate program is to make a significant contribution to the cultural life of the city and reveal new ways of understanding throughout our diverse community.

The Poet Laureate will generate a work plan within the allocated budget each year that includes community engagement opportunities or projects; i.e. public poetry readings, workshops, classes, lectures, text based visual art, composing and pushing original works, public art projects or other literary based performance or activity.

BUDGET & RECOGNITION

- Finalists receive a \$250 stipend for preparation for the interview on October 5, 2023
- The Poet Laureate receives an annual stipend of \$5,000
- The City of Redmond will provide staff support and an annual budget of \$5,000 to complete events and projects proposed by the Poet Laureate
- Poet Laureate can increase the scale of projects through outside funding sources pursued by the Poet Laureate

SELECTION CRITERIA

Finalists will be selected through a panel process that will evaluate the applicants based on the below criteria:

- Quality and strength of past work
- Prior experience in program and/or project planning and development
- Prior experience with community engagement or outreach
- Demonstrated understanding of Redmond's community



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REPRODUCTION

The City of Redmond reserves the right to reproduce work created for the Laureateship through print, film or electronic media for documentary, educational and promotional purposes.

DISCLOSURE

The City of Redmond reserves the right to alter the selection process or recommend not renewing the second year of the Poet Laureateship

APPLICATION

To apply, each poet must prepare the following materials and submit their application online at bit.ly/RedmondPoetLaureate2024

1. **Statement of Interest** (not to exceed 500 words), including:
 - Why are you interested in being Redmond's Poet Laureate?
 - Past work or experience with community engagement components
2. **Resume** (not to exceed two pages)
 - Current professional resume
3. **References**
 - Name, email address, and phone number of two references that can speak to your professional history
4. **Work Samples** (One consolidated PDF preferred)
 - Submit up to five work samples
 - Can include audio and/or video files, digital images (portraying any community-focused events, public art, or public readings), teaching materials, or poems
 - Final page of PDF should be a work sample list, include brief description of each sample and relevant information (i.e. event, publication, collaborators, budgets, dates, etc.)

QUESTIONS

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