

**ANSON COUNTY WRITERS' CLUB**  
P. O. Box 363      Wadesboro, N.C., 28170

**ANSON COUNTY WRITERS' CLUB ADULT POETRY/PROSE CONTEST RULES**

- Contests are open to adults residing in, having resided in, working in, attending school in Anson County, or any member of the Anson County Writers' Club. There is a \$1 entry fee, which is waived for students at any institution of higher learning.
- Poems must be an original work that is previously unpublished in a paid publication, may be in any form, may be on any subject, and may be no longer than 32 lines.
- Short stories/essays will be limited to 2,000 words or less.
- Writers should keep in mind that the winning stories will be considered for publication in a family-read anthology that includes children's work. Material of an explicit nature is discouraged
- First place winners in each category in 2023 are not eligible for that category in 2024.
- Only one entry in prose or one entry in poetry may be submitted by one person.

**HOW TO ENTER**

**Please read the rules carefully.**  
**Any deviation from the rules will result in the entry being excluded.**

- Entries must be double-spaced and poems single-spaced on standard 8 ½- by 11-inch paper and must be legible. Fonts may be the choice of the author.
- If an entry is hand-written, copy must be hand-printed and must be legible for judges to read. Use of a pre-lined notebook paper is suggested.
- Entries that have drawings or colored ink on them will be disqualified.
- Good grammar and spelling will be taken into consideration by the contest judges.
- Two copies** of each entry **must** be submitted.
- On one copy, list *only* the category being entered in the upper right-hand corner (for example, Poetry Adult Category).
- On the second copy, list the category in the upper right-hand corner and include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the entrant. (NOTE: *Only one copy must have author's contact information.*)
- All entries must be mailed to the Anson County Writers' Club 2024 Contests, P.O. Box 363, Wadesboro, N.C., 28170; emailed to [info@ansoncountywritersclub.org](mailto:info@ansoncountywritersclub.org) with contest in the subject line; or turned in to the Hampton B. Allen Library in Wadesboro by 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 2, 2024.
- An official entry form **must** accompany each entry. Entry forms may be picked up at the Hampton B. Allen Library or downloaded at [www.ansoncountywritersclub.org](http://www.ansoncountywritersclub.org). Copies of the entry form will be accepted.
- Please note: *Authors should retain copies of their submissions; submissions cannot be returned.*)

**OTHER INFORMATION**

- Please check permission box on entry form to have entry considered for publication in a future Anson County anthology (not required to enter).
- Prize money includes \$50 for first place, \$30 for second place and \$20 for third place in both Prose and Poetry categories.