

SECOND LIGHT OPEN POETRY COMPETITION
FOR LONG AND SHORT POEMS BY WOMEN

DEADLINE: ~~TUESDAY 7th~~ FRIDAY 17th JULY 2015
results at <http://www.secondlightlive.co.uk> by 31st August 2015



JUDGE: Myra Schneider

Myra Schneider's latest poetry collection is *The Door to Colour*, Enitharmon 2014. Other publications include *Circling the Core* (2008) and *What Women Want* (2012) and a creative writing resource, *Writing Your Self* (with John Killick). Myra is a Poetry School and Second Light regular tutor.

FIRST PRIZES: £300 for each of Long and Short poems

2nd Prize £100 3rd Prize £50 COMMENDED: Book prizes

Winning & Commended poems published (in full or extract) in ARTEMISpoetry. A reading for winners will be organised in London.

OPEN TO WOMEN POETS ONLY ~ ENTRY FEES & RULES

- Long Poems (over 50 lines, no upper limit) £6 per poem.
Short Poems (up to 50 lines) £4 per poem or £9 for 3, £14 for 8.
- Add £2 for sample issue of ARTEMISpoetry. Add £5 for book offer.
- **Second Light Members are entitled to submit one free entry. JOIN NOW TO BE ELIGIBLE (see over for Membership benefits & book offer details).**
- Poems on any subject. Must be the unaided work of the writer and must not have been previously published unless in a magazine only.
- By Post: TWO COPIES of poems, typed or neatly written on A4 (without your name); a separate contact sheet (name, address, telephone, e-mail address **and poem titles**); cheque payable to 'Second Light'. Send to Dilys Wood, 3 Springfield Close, East Preston, West Sussex, BN16 2SZ. Include a stamped addressed postcard if you require acknowledgement of receipt.
- Online: pay at www.poetrypf.co.uk/shop.php?sort=ur#sl5 (buy quantity of £ to be paid). Send poems in a single attachment (your pen name.doc or your pen name.pdf), to competition@secondlightlive.co.uk with 'Entry (Your Pen Name)' in the subject line. Include contact details as above, poem titles & the PAYMENT TRANS. ID in the body of the e-mail only.

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BOOK OFFER

Add £5 to your competition entry to receive your choice from these books:

What Women Want or *Becoming* (Myra Schneider);
Inside the Brightness of Red (Mary MacRae) ~ *Antarctica* (Dilys Wood)

More on these books at www.secondlightlive.co.uk/books.shtml

JOIN SECOND LIGHT, a network for women poets

Membership includes: ARTEMISpoetry ~ Page on SecondLightLive website

Priority Booking for Second Light readings/workshops/residential courses

One free entry into the annual Second Light Poetry Competition... and more...

Second Light aims to promote greater appreciation of women's poetry.

"... affirming and creative ... unique in offering practical advice, support ... geared to promoting women poets." Katherine Gallagher

Annual Membership, 1st Nov – 31st Oct, £25. (2 yrs £40, 3 yrs £60)
(Concessionary rate for those on very low income and for Associate Members, by application)

ARTEMISpoetry – a biannual journal of women's poetry and women's writing about poetry (Reviews, Interviews, Feature Articles)... and more...

"certain to become a must-have, must-read journal..." Penelope Shuttle

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HER WINGS OF GLASS, Second Light's latest (Oct14) anthology of ambitious poetry by women. 134 poets, 211 pp. Retail £12.95. Offer £10...

"tremendously inspiring" Moniza Alvi. "magnificent anthology" Pauline Stainer

and REMOTE WORKSHOPS: *Her Wings of Glass* series, based on the 2014 anthology – 8 workshops suitable for individuals and for Tutors, for working alone or in a group, and with the option to share work with others...

"they are wonderful..." Patricia Huth Ellis "really stretching" Carolyn O'Connell

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