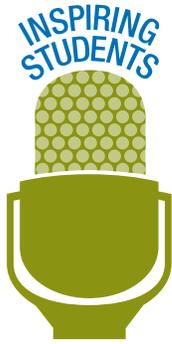


2016



POETRY OUT LOUD



About the Competition

The National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation have once again partnered with the Indiana Arts Commission to support 2016 Poetry Out Loud, a free high school program which encourages the nation's youth to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation. This exciting program helps high school students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, learn about their literary heritage, and compete for college scholarship funding.



How to Get Involved

In order to compete, schools must register before November 30, 2015. All materials and resources will be provided. Competitions will first be implemented during the fall 2015 semester at the school or classroom level to identify one student winner who will represent their school at the state finals. The State Finals will be held February 20, 2016 at the Central branch of the Indianapolis Public Library to determine the state winner, who will then represent Indiana at the National Finals in Washington, D.C. in early May.

Prizes

The State Champion receives a \$200 cash prize and an all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C.; \$500 for their school to purchase literary materials; and an opportunity to compete at the National Finals for college scholarship funds.



Questions

For information about the competition or to register your school, visit www.IN.gov/arts. For questions, contact Sarah Fronczek at sfronczek@iac.in.gov or 317-232-1274.

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