

Emily Morrison Prize for Poetry

This prize is provided through the generosity of Joan and Paul Morrison, the Morrison family, and friends of Emily Morrison. The annual prize is awarded to a student enrolled in the MFA Program in Creative Writing at Virginia Tech, and will be judged by a writer who is not a part of the Virginia Tech faculty. The recipient will be expected to attend the presentation of the award, an event which occurs during the English Department's commencement ceremony in May. Morrison family members will present the prize.

RULES

Submit three poems. The submitted manuscript should be no more than ten pages in length. All entries must be submitted to Aileen Murphy by March 31st. Entries should be submitted in standard poem format with reasonable margins and font size—unless, of course, there are creative reasons for deviating from standard formatting. Submit entries as a PDF or MS Word document. Title the file as follows: [first word of any title]EMP.pdf/doc. (If one of the poems in your submission were titled “Blues for Mr. Blue,” the file would be labeled “BluesEMP.pdf.”) Send entries to Aileen (aileen@vt.edu) as an attachment to email. The subject line of the email should read: “Emily Morrison Prize.” In the body of the email, include the titles of the poems and your contact information. Do not include your name or any identifying information anywhere on the manuscript.

There will be a cash award of at least \$500 which will accompany this prize.