

THE KANSAS CITY ROSE SOCIETY



PRESENTS THE ANNUAL  
ROSE PROSE POETRY CONTEST  
2024

FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES 3 - 8



We are looking for poets who can  
compose a poem about a rose.

Cash prizes! Plus, the winning poems will be  
published on the KCRS website, and winning  
poets will read their poem at our Reading in  
the Roses event, May 18, 2024!

# The Kansas City Rose Society presents, The 2024 Rose Prose Poetry Contest!

Young Poets who are inspired by the lovely roses in the historic Laura Conyers Smith Municipal Rose Garden, are invited to write an original poem about a rose. Submissions are to be postmarked by **April 12, 2024**.

**Who Can enter:** All children in the greater KC area in grades 3 through 8. Only one entry per child. The winners will be chosen in three categories, including:

- Grades 3-4, Grades 5-6, and Grades 7-8

**How To Write:** Each original poem **MUST** include the word "rose" at least once. The poem can be typed into the body of an e-mail or typed (Word document) or legibly handwritten on 8 ½"x11" paper. Please include the child's name, parent's name, school, grade, city, home address, phone number and email address with the submission. (Be sure to keep a copy of your poem.)

**How To submit:** Poems can be e-mailed to - [spaethjm@gmail.com](mailto:spaethjm@gmail.com) - or, dropped off or mailed to: KCRS Poetry Contest, Attn: Julie Spaeth, 4901 Wornall Rd. Apt. 105, K.C., MO 64112. \*Remember the child's name, parent's name, school, grade, city, home address and phone number must be included.

- **Entries need to be postmarked by: April 12, 2024**

**Winners:** There will be one winner from each grade category. Each winner will receive \$50.00 and a certificate. Winning poems will be posted on the KCRS website, and the poets will be invited to read their poems to the public on May 18, 2024 at Reading in the Roses in the Garden Center in Loose Park at 2-3:30 pm.

**Judges:** Poets from the KC Writers Place

**Questions?** E-mail: Julie Spaeth at [spaethjm@gmail.com](mailto:spaethjm@gmail.com)

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