

Poetry Submission Guidelines

Please read carefully

Calling all Poets Worldwide! The Hektoen Institute COVID-19 Monument Commission invites you to submit a poem for consideration to be published in our Poetry Pantheon section. Your poem must be in English and your own original work, without the use of Artificial Intelligence. Poem may not have been previously published.

Your poem might consider the topics of hope, remembrance, and resilience; individual experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns; isolation; epidemics, historical to the present; vaccines; recollections of frontline and essential workers serving during the pandemic; tributes to loved ones lost during the pandemic; themes of mourning; healing; and reflections on the collective pandemic experience.

By submitting your poem for consideration, you confirm and acknowledge the following:

1. You are age eighteen or more.
2. Your poem is your original work and not created through Artificial Intelligence.
3. Your poem has not been previously published
4. You give consent to publish your poem(s) on the Monument website and all social media platforms related to the Monument.
5. You acknowledge and have read the following regarding copyright (©) and plagiarism:
By submitting your work to us, you consent to the scanning of your work by third-party plagiarism checker programs along with, on a case-by-case basis, research by our staff of your publication history to ensure the work published is original. Plagiarism is, in its simplest wording, claiming someone else's work as your own. When you submit work or portions of a work that you yourself did not write, without giving credit to its original author, that is plagiarism. Plagiarism ranges from copying another's entire publication to rewording portions and ideas from another's publication without a citation.

To submit a poem for consideration, prepare a WORD document with the following:

1. Poems should be saved as a Word document by the author's first and last name.

On the same Word document, please include a cover page with:

2. Author's first and last name, email address, contact telephone number.
3. A biography no longer than 100 words, written in the third person, which might include your current educational and professional status. An image (optional) of yourself to be featured along with your biography.
4. Send WORD document to: monumentcovid19@gmail.com

Submissions are reviewed on a rolling basis; you will be contacted only if your poem is selected to be published.

Thank you for your poetry submission on behalf of the *COVID-19 Monument of Honor, Remembrance, & Resilience*. We look forward to reviewing your poem.

If you have any questions, please reach out: monumentcovid19@gmail.com.