



NAACP NYC ACT-SO
Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics
“Olympics of the Mind”

ACT-SO GUIDELINES

POETRY

1. Only **one (1) poem**, with **six (6) copies**, should be submitted.
2. Poem must be **typed, double spaced, and must not exceed five (5) pages**.
3. Contestant’s **name and borough** must appear at the top of each page.
4. Poem must be an **original work** of the contestant.
5. Poem must be accompanied by a **notarized statement** confirming originality and identify the author.
6. Contestants must be prepared to **answer judges’ question if necessary**.

JUDGING CRITERIA

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal to the Senses | 20 Points |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emotional Response | 20 Points |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Development of Theme | 20 Points |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use of Language as Relates to Theme | 20 Points |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Structure of Stanzas | 20 Points |

100 Total