

THE PROUD MARYS ASSOCIATION'S

2022 Mary Poppins Literary Competition

Everything is possible, even the impossible

The annual Literary Awards competition for young writers and poets was established to commemorate the writer P.L. Travers (the creator of Mary Poppins) who was born in Maryborough. Over the years, enthusiastic young writers from across our region have showcased their creative talents via this competition. 2022 marks our 22nd writing competition and again we offer nearly \$2000 in prize money (table 1).



Competition rules and requirements:

- The competition is open to students residing in the Fraser Coast Region with only one entry per category.
- The story or poem must be an original work based on the fantasy theme **Everything is possible, even the impossible**. Entries should be typed where possible and should comply with word/line count requirements (table 2).
- Unless entering online, Entry Forms should be completed and attached to all entries. Note - no name to be entered onto submitted story or poem itself.
- Entries must be received by the close of business on **Friday, 26th August** and lodged online or one of the places listed on the Entry Form.
- Prize winners will be notified by phone or email and prize presentations will be made on Saturday, 8th October 2022 at 10.30am at the Maryborough Library.
- All prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the judges and their decision will be final.

The Proud Marys Association Inc. would like to acknowledge the kind support and sponsorship of the Fraser Coast Regional Council; Cherry Tree Foundation, London; Quota Club of Maryborough and all our valued sponsors.

PRIZE LIST

All winners will receive a cash prize and certificate

Student Year Groupings	Award	LITERARY PRIZE	POETRY PRIZE
Grades 3-4	1st	\$100	\$25
	2nd	\$75	\$20
	3rd	\$50	\$15
Grades 5-6	1st	\$150	\$30
	2nd	\$100	\$25
	3rd	\$75	\$20
Grades 7-9	1st	\$200	\$35
	2nd	\$150	\$30
	3rd	\$100	\$25
Grades 10-12	1st	\$250	\$40
	2nd	\$200	\$35
	3rd	\$150	\$30

Table 1

COMPETITION RULES & REQUIREMENTS

GRADES	STORY	POEM
3-4	Up to 250 words	12 lines (approx)
5-6	Up to 500 words	16 lines (approx)
7-9	Up to 750 words	20 lines (approx)
10-12	Up to 1000 words	30 lines (approx)

Table 2



Entries to be dropped off at one of the following Fraser Coast Libraries:

Burrum Heads Library

22 Burrum Heads Road, Burrum Heads

Hervey Bay Library

161 Old Maryborough Road, Pialba

Howard Library

56 Steley Street, Howard

Maryborough Library

127-129 Bazaar Street, Maryborough

Tiaro Library

Lot 1 Forgan Terrace, Tiaro

Or posted to:

The Proud Mary's "2022 Literary & Poetry Competition",
P.O. Box 3025 Pallas Street Post Office,
Maryborough, 4650
by **Friday, 26th August 2022.**



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ENTRY FORM



SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER ONLINE

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

PHONE.....EMAIL.....

SCHOOL ATTENDED.....GRADE.....

Please complete details of your entry:

Title of story.....

Title of poem.....

Please read and sign:

I understand and AGREE / NOT AGREE that my competition entry (story and/or poem) may be published following the competition by the Fraser Coast Library on their webpage or elsewhere.

Signed student or guardian.....