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Youth Poet Laureate Call for Nominations

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VICTORIA, BC — The City of Victoria, in partnership with the Greater Victoria Public Library, is seeking nominations for next year's Youth Poet Laureate.

Created in 2013 by the Victoria Youth Council, the Youth Poet Laureate position provides the community access to strong youth voices. The Youth Poet Laureate will reach out to vulnerable youth populations, develop a community youth poetry event and encourage peer-to-peer education through new works.

Applicants for the Youth Poet Laureate position must be 14 to 24 years of age and reside in the Capital Region, including the Gulf Islands. Candidates must demonstrate an ability to engage the community, have clear and innovative ideas for the vision of their role as Youth Poet Laureate, and be able to skillfully present and perform their written or spoken work to the public.

The Youth Poet Laureate is an honorary one-year term position from January 1 to December 31, 2021. The position will receive a \$1,750 honorarium and \$2,000 of project funding, and the opportunity to participate in a year-long mentorship with the Poet Laureate. The City of Victoria and the Greater Victoria Public Library fund both the Poet Laureate and Youth Poet Laureate positions.

Applications are accepted until Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 4 p.m. For submission guidelines and more information, visit: www.victoria.ca/youthpoetlaureate.

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