

SEAWEEK POETRY COMPETITION 2021



AS AN ISLAND NATION WE'RE DEEPLY CONNECTED TO THE SEA!

The ocean, and how it affects us or how we impact it,
have been important themes in poetry overtime

Write a poem that reflects the theme of Seaweek www.seaweek.org.nz
Connecting with our seas and associated whakatauki
'Ko au te moana, ko te moana ko au'.

We would like to highlight the diverse connections and interactions we have with the
sea which makes our lives so intertwined with the health of our ocean environment.

Categories:

- Pre-school /ECE + Primary Years 1-4 – a class collective acrostic poem*
using either the words 'Connections' or 'Ko au te moana'
- School Individual – Years 5-8 + Years 9-13
- Te Reo Individual – Years 7-13

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**Please submit by midnight Sunday 14th March 2021
at ecan.govt.nz/poetrycomp**

All entries must be 400 words or fewer**

Great prizes to be won!

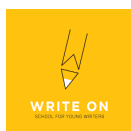
Tap into support from Write On***

School for Young Writers

*For ECE centres and Primary Years 1-4, please use the acrostic poem form using either the words Connections or Ko au te moana. You may wish to draw a picture to go with the poem but please do not obscure the words. The School for Young Writers blog will have some useful tips on creating acrostic poems. <https://www.schoolforyoungwriters.org/blog>

**A list of full competition rules can be found on reverse.

*** If you wish to attend a masterclass for Years 7-10 on poetry for Seaweek please register <https://www.schoolforyoungwriters.org/masterclasses>.



COMPETITION RULES

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1. Entries close at midnight on Sunday 14th March 2021, & must be uploaded using ecan.govt.nz/poetrycomp
2. Please do not write your name, age or residency on the same sheet as your poems, as they will be judged anonymously.
3. Please enter your details including name, address, telephone number, email address, plus the title(s) of your poem(s) into the online form.
4. Entries are limited to 6 entries per ECE or school, or 2 per person in Te Reo category.
5. Entries should be in English or Te Reo, typed & submitted online in PDF format. Please DO NOT illustrate your poem.
6. Entries must fit on a single A4 page, be 400 words or fewer & be written to reflect the theme of Seaweek 2021.
7. Judging will take place between 15-20th March with the winners notified shortly after. Winning entries will be displayed from the 22-29 March at a central venue (TBC) & via Facebook + Write On website.
8. Entries must be entirely the work of the entrant & must never have been published, self-published, published on any public website or broadcast, nor placed in any other competition.
9. Entrants will also need to tick the consent box in the online entry form to give authorisation for poem/s to be placed on the Seaweek, Environment Canterbury & Write On Facebook & website.
10. The competition is open to anyone except the judges, the organiser of the competition and their families.

