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**BEVERLY
HOPKINS**
MEMORIAL

POETRY CONTEST

presented by *SAINT LOUIS POETRY CENTER*

for HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS

FIRST PRIZE \$225
SECOND PRIZE \$125
THIRD PRIZE \$75

Prizewinners & honorable mentions are invited to read their poems at our annual poetry concert on Sunday, May 20, 2018. Winning poems will be published in a chapbook available at the concert.

"Braids,
ornamented by barrettes
that sang to me
like wind chimes.
It was a playground symphony
anytime us girls got together,
adorned with our
colorful, chattering crowns."



JUDGE

*Suzanne Buffam earned an MFA from the Iowa Writers' Workshop. She is the author of three collections of poetry, most recently *A Pillow Book*, which was named one of the ten Best Poetry Books of 2016 by *The New York Times*.*

from: "Just Hair" by Ibura DeHaan, first place winner of the 2017 Beverly Hopkins Memorial Poetry Contest

GUIDELINES

- Eligible poets must be high school students living within 100 miles of St. Louis.
- Submit up to 3 poems that have not won any awards.
- Poems already published in a high school publication can be submitted.
- We prefer that students submit work on their own. Teachers need permission from contest coordinator to submit work on behalf of more than three students.
- Include the author's name (no pen name required) and email address on each poem.
- Enclose a separate piece of paper with the author's name, street address, phone #, email address, high school, grade, teacher's name (if he or she encouraged or assigned the poems), and titles of submitted poems.
- There is no entry fee.

MAIL ENTRIES TO

St. Louis Poetry Center
Hopkins High School Poetry Contest
PO Box 300167
St. Louis, MO 63130

OR EMAIL

hopkins.contest@stlouispoetrycenter.org
Please attach poems & information sheet
as separate Word documents.

**EMAIL & POSTMARK DEADLINE:
MARCH 1, 2018**

FOR MORE INFORMATION: WWW.STLOUISPOETRYCENTER.ORG/CONTESTS
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