

Written Word Circle Slam: Details and rules.

This is an occasional 'slam' event, where participants can enter a competition to win a L\$2000 prize, reading out their work as at the Writers' Circle. This will be done using an interactive competition board, through which participants can enter. Any written work can be entered: poetry, prose, fiction, essays, whatever you want to read out. Winning entries will be featured on a special 'slam' page on the Written Word website, and will receive a winner's rosette as well as the L\$2000! All those present at the event can vote, based purely on which performed work they enjoyed the most. The basic rules will be as follows:

1. You have to be a member of Written Word group to enter;
2. The piece you read must take no longer than five minutes;
3. All work must be also provided on a notecard, for distribution to those present at the event;
4. You can only vote once, and can't vote for yourself (the competition board doesn't allow this anyway);
5. Anyone present can vote – not just performers;
6. You can't bring alts in to vote for you (but no-one would do that, would they?!);
7. The work has to be original, and written by the person who is performing it (although exceptions could be made for those with disabilities that mean they need someone else to read their work);
8. All those voting should be present for the whole event;
9. No advance notice is needed - just turn up and enter, but entries will be closed after about an hour;
10. Voting will open after the competition entries have all been read;
11. The winner will be announced and the prize awarded at the end of the competition;
12. These rules will be made available to all participants when they enter the competition;
13. There is no rule 13, because that would be unlucky.

The event will take place at the waterstage, Written Word, Cookie Island: