



# Biggar Science Festival

## Writing Competition

**Closing date: Midnight on 30th September 2017**

Categories: Adults, Teens, Children

**Price:** Adults £3 per entry, £5 for two entries, and £1 for each additional entry thereafter.

Entries to the Under 12 and Under 18 sections free.

All entry fees payable via **Paypal**. [There is a **PayPal** button within the Writing Competition event info on the Science Festival website: <http://www.biggarsciencefestival.co.uk/> ]

All proceeds from the competition will go towards the future development of Biggar Science Festival.

**Biggar Science Festival is looking for poetry and flash fiction on The Powers of Nature. You can interpret this theme as widely or as narrowly as you wish. Entries can be in any style or genre.**

### Guidelines

- The competition is open to anyone in the known universe who is subject to the laws of physics.
- There are four categories:
  - Best poem
  - Best flash story
  - Best poem or story by someone who is under 18 on 1st October 2017
  - Best poem or story by someone who is under 12 on 1st October 2017
- Poems should be no more than 30 lines and stories no longer than 1,000 words long.
- Entries should be emailed as a Word attachment to [admin@biggarsciencefestival.co.uk](mailto:admin@biggarsciencefestival.co.uk) by midnight on 30th September 2017. Late entries shall disappear into a Black Hole.
- The entries themselves should bear no identifying marks, but the covering email should give the name of the author, the title of the piece and the age-group it is being entered for.
- The judges' decision shall be final and very likely to be of the nature of a quantum effect. No correspondence shall be entered into.
- The copyright of each entry shall remain with its author. However, Biggar Science Festival reserves the right to publish it on the Festival website and/or in any future anthology.

### Prizes

Best poem      £30

Runner-up      £10

Best story      £30

Runner-up      £10

Best poem/story by someone under 18   £10

Best poem/story by someone under 12   £10

**Winners will be announced at the Music for Maxwell event and via the Science Festival Website.**

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