

Entries Now Open.

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OPEN MIC POETRY EVENING 2027



DATE

12 MARCH 2027



TIME

18:00



TICKETS

Adults R50
Children under 10 R20

YOUR VOICE.
YOUR STORY.
OUR STAGE.





ENTRIES NOW OPEN FOR 2027!

HOW IT WORKS:



Write your own poem by choosing one of the topics listed below.



Recite your poem and record yourself from the waist upward.



Once recorded, save the video, clearly indicating your Name, Surname, Age, School, Grade, Title of your poem.



Upload your video as follows:

- Upload your video to YouTube.
- Mark the video as "Private" so that only people with the link can access the video.



Email your video link, together with a written copy of your poem, to SACEE as follows:

- For all Grade 10 entries: openmic2026101@gmail.com
- For all Grade 11 entries: openmic2026112@gmail.com
- For all Grade 12 entries: openmic2026123@gmail.com



Entries close 22 February 2027.



The video submissions will be adjudicated and the Top 10 in each grade will perform live at our Open Mic gala evening on 12 March 2027.



The top 30 contestants will be performing in front of two independent adjudicators to compete for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in their respective categories.



The top 30 poems will be published and booklets will be available at the door.



-  **No WhatsApp submissions will be considered and no late entries will be considered.**
-  **No plagiarism and/or AI generated poetry will be condoned! All poems that will accompany the videos must be hand written.**

GUIDELINES:

-  **Poem topics:**
 - **The power of youth voices**
 - **Technology and human connection**
 - **Social media and Identity**
 - **The world is my oyster**
 - **Identity and belonging**

-  **Poems must be no less than 14 lines.**

HOW TO ENTER:

- **The Poetry Open Mic Competition is an initiative of SACEE (The South African Council for English Education) and as such, we ask that all schools entering the competition be registered with SACEE (Registration form attached)**
- **SACEE Membership Registration fee (per school) for 2027 = R350**
- **SACEE entrance fee for the Open Mic Competition = R50 per learner (Registration and Entry forms attached)**
- **POPIA Consent form also attached which must accompany each learner's entry. This is mainly to take photographs/videos at the event, for publication and promotional purposes, both in printed format and online.**
- **All documents can be sent with the videos to the relevant email addresses.**



Please indicate whether this is:

First application for Membership:

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A Renewal application for membership 20____ :

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Name/School:

SACEE Representative for school:.....

Tel No.(w)(cell)

Please add me to you SACEE WhatsApp group for project information Yes ☐ /No ☐

Email- address:.....

Category of membership and fee: (Please tick appropriate box)

☐ **Individual:** R 50.00

☐ **Scholar/Student:** R 50.00

☐ **School:** R 350.00

☐ **Sponsorship of disadvantaged school:** R 100.00

..... (name of school)

Kindly deposit the fee due into the following bank account:

Account Holder: SA Council for English Education, Bank: Nedbank (160245)

Account number: 1602057478, Ref: Name or Name of School.

Proof of payment together with this form can emailed to: sacepta@gmail.com.

Signature: Date:



SACEE
South African
Council for
English Education

SACEE
PRETORIA BRANCH

CONTACT: 0665314473

POPIA ACT – CONSENT FORM

Dear Parents,

As you are aware, the right to privacy is protected by our Constitution and the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) entrenches that right. POPIA has become law, with the effective date of compliance set as 1 July 2021. As part of this implementation and in order to be POPIA compliant, we kindly request permission as detailed in the form below:

Please take note:

The consent form is based on FEDSAS (Federation of Associations of Governing Bodies of South African Schools) proposed templates and viewed as a standard for governing bodies and schools related to POPIA.

PROCEDURE:

- This form must be completed and submitted with the entry form for the competition.
- Please complete per learner, not per family.

SACEE – PRETORIA BRANCH

POPI RELEASE FORM

RELEASE FORM IN RESPECT OF LEARNER PHOTOS, IMAGES, VIDEOS

I hereby grant permission to SACEE to display photos/images/videos of the child indicated below as part of:

- a performance during the course of the competition.
- a sample project/activity on CD created by SACEE for use in educational workshops, class-rooms, advertisements, etc.; the organization's webpage and social media platforms (including Facebook);
- samples given to program publishers, or contest entries submitted to sponsors, video recordings for a program related to SACEE or events that may be broadcasted on a television station or other form of transmission or broadcasting platform including the Internet, or Apps, and/or any other publication, including, though not limited to newspapers, magazines, yearbooks, etc.

In granting this permission, I understand that SACEE may use photos/images/videos of the child(ren) for purposes such as celebrating achievements and publicising educational events, as deemed appropriate by SACEE and that such use may include display in the SACEE gallery.

Photos/images/videos posted on the SACEE website can be downloaded and reproduced by anyone as SACEE does not have control over this. I release SACEE from any liability arising from the use of photos/images/videos of the child(ren) in SACEE web postings.

Additionally, I understand that there are potential dangers associated with the posting of photos images and videos on a website, since global access to the internet does not allow for control over who accesses information. I further understand that if I wish to rescind this agreement, I may do so at any time by sending a letter to SACEE.

I agree

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I disagree

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Details of Learner:
(name)

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Details of Learner:
(grade)

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Details of Parent / Guradian:
Name and Surname

Signature
