# ARTS AND CULTURE EL DORADO PRESENTS POETRY OUT LOUD

# ABOUT POETRY OUT LOUD - A POETRY RECITATION CONTEST

Poetry Out Loud is a national poetry recitation competition which encourages high school students to learn about poetry through memorization, performance, and competition. Participants master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and learn about literary history and contemporary life.

The aim of Poetry Out Loud is to encourage the study and appreciation of great poetry. Students engaged in the program not only learn about their literary heritage but also build self-confidence through mastering public speaking skills. Poetry Out Loud has inspired millions of high school students to discover the beauty and brilliance of the literary canon.

# **PRIZES**

### EL DORADO COUNTY PRIZES:

- 1st place: \$100 and moves on to State Finals
- 2nd place: \$75
- 3rd place: \$50

## CALIFORNIA STATE PRIZES:

- 1st place: \$200 and an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C.
- \$500 for their school

### NATIONAL CONTEST PRIZES:

- 1st place: \$20,0002nd place: \$10,000
- · 3rd place: \$5,000
- 4th-12th places: \$1,000

# POETRY OUT LOUD RULES

- · Poetry Out Loud is open to all high school students
- All poems must be selected from the Poetry Out Loud print or online anthology
- · Students must recite their poem from memory
- · Students may not use props or wear costumes during their recitations

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