

ANTHOLOGY BY LOCAL WRITERS CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The City of Brentwood and Kati Short, Poet Laureate, are requesting poetry, short fiction, and creative non-fiction for a collection of work by writers in our area. It is called *In Mt. Diablo's Shadow, Vol. 7*.

All work must be submitted in MS Word, formatted for a 6" x 9" page with 1" top margins and 3/4" (.75") at the bottom, left and right. If necessary, contact katishort@yahoo.com for a copy of the template. Use single spacing for prose pieces. ***Do not double space between paragraphs.***

Short stories and non-fiction may not exceed 2,500 words including title, writer's name and city. Work must be formatted as described above with the title in bold type at the top of the first page, a blank line, your prose piece. At the end of your work, add a blank line, place your name and your city and state of residence on two lines single spaced, justified to the right margin. Your work must be submitted in an editable form in case line adjustment becomes necessary.

Poetry may be single, 1-1/2, or double spaced, but must not exceed one page*, including the title in bold type at the top of the page, with a space between it and your poem, your name and city of residence on two lines, single space following a blank line at the end of the poem. Name and city of residence are to be justified to the right margin. **Poets who have previously submitted to In Mt. Diablo's Shadow or who are members of Brentwood Writes may submit two (2) poems. Poets, described above, may submit one poem that exceeds the one page rule, but the poem must follow the other rules of page layout.*

All work must be submitted in 12 point Calibri.

Submit a hard copy of the signed copyright waiver. Send a copy of your work as an attachment in MSWord via email to katishort@yahoo.com. **It is very important that your electronic submission be in MS Word. If the editors cannot open it, your work will not be accepted. You are welcome to contact Mrs. Short at the email address above with any questions.**

Submissions will not be edited for grammatical errors or misspellings, so it is imperative that you scrupulously edit your work. No work will be accepted without a completed waiver. You may contact Kati Short at katishort@yahoo.com to obtain a waiver form. Writers retain the copyright for their work; the waiver allows the City of Brentwood to use portions of the material in the anthology for promotional or other uses.

Submission period is between September 15, 2017 through October 16, 2017. Submissions are to be addressed to Anthology of Local Writers, City of Brentwood, Parks and Recreation Department, 150 City Park Way, Brentwood, CA 94513. For questions please contact Kati Short, katishort@yahoo.com or (925) 634-6655.

Submissions from adults with a mailing address in Pittsburg, Antioch, Oakley, Brentwood, Byron, Discovery Bay, Knightsen and Bethel Island and regular participants at Brentwood Writes Open Mic, who live outside the above stated cities, will be considered, as well as Juniors and Seniors attending any of the area's high schools.

We hope to publish every piece that is submitted; however if we receive more work than pages planned, we will need to edit the submissions. The City of Brentwood reserves the right to turn down **any submissions for any reasons.**

"In Mt. Diablo's Shadow" will be a product of Brentwood Writes, Kati Short, Poet Laureate of the City of Brentwood and the City of Brentwood.



Anthology of Local Writers Submission

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Email Address: _____

COPYRIGHT WAIVER

A. Individuals submitting work (the "Work") to the "In Mt. Diablo's Shadow" Vol. 7 an anthology of poetry, short fiction and creative non-fiction shall retain all copyright and all other rights in and to the Work, provided that the individual and/or their parent or legal guardian hereby grants to the City of Brentwood ("City") an irrevocable license to graphically depict the Work for any purpose whatsoever. The City reserves the right to post the Work on the City's website and in marketing publications. City shall not be responsible for any third party infringement of the copyright held by the individual submitting the Work.

B. If, for any reason, the approved Work is not graphically depicted and/or published by the City, all rights to the Work shall be retained by the individual submitting it.

C. The individual submitting the Work and/or their parent or legal guardian agrees that submission of the Work shall comply with all applicable copyright laws, rules, regulations and codes of the State of California and the United States. The individual submitting the work and/or their parent or legal guardian hereby represents and warrants that the Work does not, and the individual submitting the Work has not and will not, utilize any protected or copyrighted material unless and until the individual submitting the work has obtained proper permission and all releases and other necessary documents to the satisfaction of the City.

D. The individual submitting the Work and/or their parent or legal guardian agrees to release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless City, its officers and employees from any and all claims, damages, suits, costs, expenses, liabilities, actions or proceedings of any kind resulting from the use of the Work which infringes upon any copyright or other right protected by law.

E. The City reserves the right to turn down any submissions for any reasons.

Signature: _____
Participant/Poet

Signature: _____
(Check which applies) Parent Legal Guardian

Print Name: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

ALL INFORMATION MUST BE PROVIDED.