



Poet Populist Nomination Guidelines



The Poet Populist program will celebrate the City's close relationship with poetry by naming an individual to act as "literary ambassador" representing poetry to the city and the city to poetry.

Qualifications for the Poet Populist

- Resident of Cambridge, MA
- Evidence of a substantial body of quality work
- Strong connection with community and past community-building experience a plus
- Has not previously served as Poet Populist

Nomination Process

- Nominations are accepted from anyone living and/or working in Cambridge via the official Poet Populist Nomination Form
- An individual must be nominated; self-nomination is not permitted
- An individual cannot be nominated by anyone under the age of 18 or an immediate family member
- All nominees will be invited to submit five poems, a résumé, and a statement of up to 500 words describing their objectives for and interest in serving in this position to the Poet Populist Committee for review
- After reviewing all submitted materials, using the established criteria, the Committee will select five to ten semi-finalists and will meet briefly with each in person
- The committee will then designate approximately three to five of these semi-finalist nominees as finalists. The decisions of the committee will be final
- Finalist will read at a series of public readings where the community will be invited to vote for their choice for Poet Populist

Nomination Deadline: Sunday, January 11, 2013 at 12Noon

For more information please see the [Program Overview](#) or call 617-349-4380 with questions.