

# Poet Laureate

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS/APPLICATIONS FOR NEW NASSAU COUNTY POET LAUREATE (NCPL) POSITION

The Nassau County Legislature recently passed the Nassau County Poet Laureate Law and the Nassau County Poet Laureate Panel is pleased to announce we are seeking candidates for this position as a means of providing an equitable consideration for qualified poets.

To qualify for the position of Nassau County Poet Laureate (NCPL), a poet will be a resident of Nassau County, and remain a resident for the length of his/her poet laureate position, be eighteen years of age or older, submit a one page resume and submit up to three representative samples of poetry (not to exceed three pages, total), understand the NCPL term is two years, and understand, according to the Nassau County Poet Laureate Law (Title 59), "the poet laureate shall promote and encourage poetry within the county and shall give two public readings within the county each year."

In addition, the poet will, if chosen as a final candidate, be prepared to conduct an interview by the NCPL Panel to include a description of his/her activities in the poetry community, his/her view of the role of a NCPL and what he/she expects to bring to this role and give an approximate fifteen-minute reading of his/her poems.

Most importantly the NCPL Panel is seeking those poets who are dedicated advocates of the role of poetry in the educational and cultural life of poetry in Nassau.

If you are interested in being considered for the position of NCPL, please send your contact information (name, address, phone number, e-mail address), resume and poems, along with a brief statement that outlines why you think you are a good candidate for consideration, by MARCH 30, 2007, to Paula Camacho via e-mail at [PaulaCamF@aol.com](mailto:PaulaCamF@aol.com) If you do not have e-mail, please send the above information to Paula Camacho, PO Box 4104, Farmingdale, NY 11735.

In your statement, please provide specific examples of what you hope to achieve as NCPL, and how you might serve the overall culture, education, and promotion of poetry, to all ages and levels of ability, throughout Nassau County.