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2009 Poetry Contest For a First or Second Book

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Entry Deadline: December 1, 2008

Prize: \$1000 and publication.

GUIDELINES

- Send 2 copies of a 48-64 pp. manuscript. Manuscript should be single-spaced, paginated, and bound with a spring clip or paperclip. Please include a table of contents.
- Include 1 title page with all author contact information.
- Include 4 copies of a title page with manuscript title only, no author information.
- Include acknowledgement of individual poems that have been previously published on a separate sheet.
- Enclose a check payable to Carolina Wren Press for \$20.
- This contest is open only to poets who have had no more than one full-length book published. Manuscript being submitted may **not** have been published or self-published in print or online as a whole.
- Simultaneous submissions are okay. Please let us know if your manuscript is accepted elsewhere.
- Contest results anticipated by September 1, 2009.
- Publication in January, 2011.

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