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## **Georgia Poetry Society: New Member Application**

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### **About Us**

The Georgia Poetry Society was founded in Atlanta, Georgia on August 30, 1979 by the late poets and friends, Edward Darvin Vickers and Charles J. Bruehler.

From thirty members at its founding, the Society has grown to encompass a membership of approximately 200 poets and supporters of poetry in Georgia and throughout the country. GPS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit association of volunteer members devoted as a "public charity" to the mission of providing opportunities for the study, practice and appreciation of poetry. We encourage our members to write their own poems, to perform them in public and to read widely the poetry of others.

To accomplish this mission the Society sponsors a number of outreach programs, poetry workshops, readings by well-known poets, open mic poetry readings, a Traveling Poetry Road Show, an annual anthology of poetry and a Poetry In the Schools project. In addition the Society sponsors a number of contests annually, including youth poetry contests.

The Georgia Poetry Society is a proud member of the National Federation of State Poetry Societies (NFSPS).

### **Benefits of Membership in the Georgia Poetry Society**

Quarterly GPS Newsletter

Quarterly Newsletter (Strophes) of the NFSPS, available at meetings

Attendance at quarterly meetings in locations throughout Georgia

Fellowship of other poets and supporters of poetry

Right to Enter State and National Poetry Contests

Right to submit poetry for consideration in the annual anthology *Reach of Song*

Participation in various workshops and projects of the Society



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Georgia poetry fees are \$30 annually for individuals, running from January 1 to December 31. Persons joining after October 1<sup>st</sup> will be credited as members for the following fiscal year without additional dues. A family membership, limited to parents and dependent children residing in the same household, is available for \$40. Student and active military (including military member's spouse) are available at \$15. Teachers currently teaching either English or Language Arts, is available for \$15. Life memberships are currently \$500.

NOTE: The information you provide here may be included in a directory of members circulated to members of the Georgia Poetry Society. Do not include information you do not want in the directory.

Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address or PO Box: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home or Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (please print clearly): \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the GPS: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Membership:         Individual \$30         Military \$15         Life \$500

Family \$49 List names, (age for dependents) \_\_\_\_\_

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Student \$15 List Age \_\_\_\_\_ Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

English/Lang Arts Teacher \$15 Name of School \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer: I would like to help the GPS with: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete this form, enclose your check to Georgia Poetry Society in the proper amount, and mail to:

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