**GENERAL COMPETITION RULES 2023**

**LISTOWEL WRITERS’ WEEK**

* **NO ENTRY FORM IS REQUIRED FOR OUR COMPETITIONS**
* **The Closing Date for receipt of entries for The Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year Award is 1st March 2023**
* **The Closing Date for receipt of entries for The Pigott Poetry Prize is 12th February 2023** (Eligibility Criteria for these two awards is available on: www.writersweek.ie)
* **The Closing Date for receipt of all other competition entries is:** Monday **6th March 2023 except for the Nilsson Heritage Award (closing date 20th March).**
* **Entries can now be submitted online** at [www.writersweek.ie](http://www.writersweek.ie) with the exception of the:
  + *Special Educational Needs Competitions*
* Entries must not have been previously published.
* Entrants who have won 1st Prize for a specific competition on 3 previous occasions cannot enter this competition again. Entries will automatically be disqualified.
* **All Entries must be typed.** Please retain a copy, as entries submitted will **NOT** be returned.
* No critique on entries shall be given due to the high volume of entries received.
* Acknowledgement of receipt of entries cannot be sent out due to the high volume of entries received.
* Please submit your name and contact details on a separate sheet when submitting by post. The entrant’s identity **must not** appear on the competition. Entries may be in Irish or in English / Is féidir iontrálacha a bheith i mBéarla nó i nGaeilge
* Please identify the specific competition for which you are entering on the front of the envelope when submitting by post, for example, ‘The Eamon Keane Full Length Play Award.’
* When submitting by post the appropriate fee must be included with the entry or a reference to payment if previously paid by credit card or online, otherwise, the entry will not be adjudicated.
* An unlimited number of entries per person may be submitted for the competitions.
* The adjudicators’ verdict is final and no correspondence shall be entered into regarding individual competition entries. Winners **only** will be notified due to the high volume of entries received.
* Awards may not be presented where an appropriate standard is not achieved.