

STEAM POWERED POETRY VIDEO CONTEST 2023

VIDEO GUIDELINES

Your video should include:

- **INTRO:** Blog name: *STEAM Powered Poetry Videos presents...*
- **INTRO:** Poem title & author byline. (EXAMPLE: "Just Weight!" by Heidi Bee Roemer)
- **VIDEO:** Your visual rendering of the STEAM poem you've chosen
- **CLOSING:** Scan of printed poem or poem text
- **CREDITS:** As noted on each Poem Page.

Video format.

To be considered, your video must be:

- MP4 or MOV format
- Not be posted to YouTube
- Not watermarked (See suggested video editing software for options)

Suggested video editing software.

Don't know what free video editing programs to use? Here are a few suggestions. Submit MP4 or MOV videos only.

- SHORTCUT <https://shotcut.org/>
- OPENSOT <https://www.openshot.org/>
- IMOVIE (Mac/iOS only) <https://www.apple.com/imovie/>

ELEMENTS OF A GOOD VIDEO: These are some of the elements that will be used in judging the videos.

- **Topic.** Does the video fully support the STEAM topic in an engaging way?
- **Visuals. Important: *Underscore important concepts with images or diagrams, when possible.*** Keep it fun and kid-friendly. If your video includes people, feature children, not adults.
- **Text.** Make sure text is clear and easy to read.
- **Audio.** Narration and music are required in addition to your printed text. Does the music match the tone of the poem? Does the reader convey the emotions within the poem? Is the narrator reading too fast? Slow it down.
- **Transitions and Effects.** Pacing between slides and special effects can make or break the intended impact. Do the transitions and effects add to or take away from the video as a whole?
- **Intro and Closing.** Include all the information and credits as noted in the guidelines.
- **Check out "Thirsty Measures,"** <https://steampoweredpoetry.com/thirsty-measures/> to see how one student used visuals, sounds, and humor to create a prize-winning video.

SUBMISSIONS PROCESS

1. Register. (You've already done this!)
2. Name your video files: PoemName-ContactName-StudentName.
 - The contact person is either the person who registered: either a teacher/media specialist or a student who registered themself.
3. Submit your video files to the Dropbox folder:
<https://www.dropbox.com/request/LN194oTPwOOortYwmeuuu>
4. Complete the final submissions form on the [registration page](#).