

The South Carolina Academy of Authors announces The Nickens Poetry Fellowship and Student Prize

Carrie McCray Nickens Poetry Fellowship (\$1500)

Winner receives \$1500; publication in *Fall Lines* from Muddy Ford Press; two tickets to the SCAA induction on **Saturday, April 22, 2017**, and to the awards brunch the following morning; plus hotel accommodations for two for the night of April 22.

Applicants must be full-time residents of South Carolina and must not have won this Fellowship in the previous three years. There is no restriction on form or content, but submissions must include no fewer than 6 poems/pages and no more than 10, unpublished at the time of submission. In addition to the material requested below, fellowship applicants must include a submission fee of \$20, payable online with PayPal.

Student Prize in Poetry (\$1000)

Winner receives \$1000 and an invitation to the SCAA Awards brunch on **Sunday, April 23, 2017**. At the time of submission, applicants must be 18- 25, legal residents of South Carolina, and enrolled full-time at a private or public South Carolina institution of higher education. There is no restriction on form or content, but submissions must include no fewer than 6 poems/pages and no more than 10, unpublished at the time of submission.

Applicants for the Student Prize do not pay a submission fee but, in addition to the materials requested below, must include a letter from their university registrar, on university letterhead, attesting to their full-time enrollment status during fall semester, 2016.



Kate Daniels, this year's judge, is the author of four volumes of poetry: *The White Wave* (1984), which won the Agnes Lynch Starrett Poetry Prize; *The Niobe Poems* (1988), which received honorable mention for the Paterson Poetry Prize; *Four Testimonies* (1998), which was one of Dave Smith's selections for the Southern Messenger Series; and, most recently, *A Walk in Victoria's Secret* (2010). Educated at the University of Virginia and Columbia University, Daniels was a 2013-2014 Guggenheim Fellow in Poetry, and was recently inducted into the Fellowship of

Southern Writers. She is Professor of English and Director of Creative Writing at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN.

To enter, submissions should be sent via email as a file attachment (Word or pdf). The attached file should contain a cover sheet specifying author's name, contact information, titles of poems, and a clear indication that the application is for either the "Fellowship" or "Student Prize." Entrants for the Student Prize must send verification of enrollment as an additional pdf attachment accompanying the entry. Submission deadline is **December 15, 2016**. Send all entries to: scaapoetryfellowships@gmail.com.

