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2nd Annual “Walk on Words” Poetry Contest Underway
Winning Entry to be Stamped in Concrete at The Palmdale Playhouse

PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale is hosting the second annual “Walk on Words” Poetry Contest, which will culminate with the winning poem being stamped in concrete at The Palmdale Playhouse.

The contest is free and open to all ages. Poems must be original compositions written by the submitting poet, no more than 12 lines long, including title, with a maximum of 35 characters per line, including spaces. All poems must be submitted by July 21 on the Web site, www.cityofpalmdale.org/walkonwords.

“We’re putting the call out to all Antelope Valley residents to submit an original poem in our contest,” said Palmdale’s Recreation and Culture Director Keri Smith. “We named the contest ‘Walk on Words’ because the winning poem will be cast in concrete.”

Poems will be judged based on suitability, originality, creativity and artistic quality. Poems not meeting the requirements for line limitation are automatically disqualified. Poems containing profanity, vulgarity or offensive material are automatically disqualified. Complete rules and regulations are available at www.cityofpalmdale.org/walkonwords.

Winners will announced at an unveiling event at the Palmdale Playhouse on September 11, 2014.

Last year’s winner was “What Beauty Holds Us Captive Here,” a poem by Lancaster resident Mary Denning.

“Who will be this year’s winner?” Smith added. “It could be you!”

For information, please call 661/267-5611.

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