

The Jesús Serra Foundation presents the prizes for the 12th Poetry Competition

The Jesús Serra Foundation, belonging to the Catalana Occidente Group, will present the prizes to the winners of the 12th Jesús Serra Foundation Poetry Competition on 27 June. The event will take place at 6:30pm at the Ateneu Barcelonès and will be attended by representatives from the Asociación Colegial de Escritores de Cataluña (ACEC) (Catalonia Writers' Association).

Thus, the Jesús Serra Foundation celebrates its twelfth consecutive year acknowledging and promoting poetry in Spanish and Catalan. This year's competition, which has received record participation with over 1,000 poems submitted, is divided into three categories: "A" for participants over 18 years old, with a prize of €2,500; "B", for authors between 14 and 17 years old, with a prize of €1,500 and "C", aimed at participants between the ages of 10 and 13 years, with a prize of €800.

The winners were selected by a jury made up of renowned writers and professionals from the art world, such as Josefa Contijoch (1981 Miquel Martí i Pol Poetry Award and 1994 Salvador Espriu Poetry Award), Elena Medel (2013 Loewe Prize for young creators and 2016 Princesa de Girona de las Artes y las Letras Prize), David Castillo (1997 Carles Riba Prize, 1999 Crexells Prize and 2001 Sant Jordi Prize), the teacher Ricardo Fernández Aguilá and the cultural manager, Alejandro Krawietz. The winners of this year's competition are:

Category	Language	Winner	Origin	Winning poem
A	Spanish	Daniel Wence Partida	Zazopán (Jalisco)	"Abuela y locomotora"
A	Catalan	Albert Garcia	Barcelona	"Meatpacking district"
B	Spanish	Mario García	Getafe (Madrid)	"El muchacho"
B	Catalan	Laura Ramos	Barcelona	"Deliri atemporal"
B	Spanish	Lara Guiomar	Guadarrama (Madrid)	"Mi escuela ideal soñada"
B	Catalan	Raúl Guasch	Barcelona	"Pensaments d'un moribund"

About Fundació Jesús Serra

Fundación Jesús Serra is a non-profit organization created in memory of Jesús Serra Santamans, a well-known businessman and sponsor and founder of Grupo Catalana Occidente. The foundation develops and supports projects in the areas of research, education, business, social action, sports, and promotion of the arts, with a common goal: responsible compromise with society.

Over 1,000 poems were submitted, 12% in Catalan and 88% in Spanish. This year, the competition saw an increase in the number of poems by children and young people. 5% of the poems presented were written by young people under 17 years old. The poets participating in this year's competition were mostly Spanish nationals, although some entries were by writers from countries in Latin American and the United States.

All news about the Jesús Serra Foundation Poetry Competition can be found on social networks with the hashtag **#PremioPoesíaFJS**.

Awards ceremony of the 12th Jesús Serra Foundation Poetry Competition:

Date: Thursday, 27 June 2019
Time: 6:30pm
Place: Sala Verdaguer, Ateneu Barcelonès, carrer de la Canuda, 8, Barcelona

After the ceremony, a cocktail reception will be held for all guests in the Ateneu *lobby*.

Collaborators:



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