



Announcing the Ninth Annual  
**Red Wheelbarrow Poetry Prize**



(poetry center san José)

Submission Deadline  
July 31st, 2025  
Submittable.com

Final Judge: Stephen Kuusisto

Three prizes: \$1,000, \$500, \$250

Letterpress broadside of winning poem: Gary Young, Greenhouse Review Press  
Winners & Finalists published in *Red Wheelbarrow*

Finalists announced September 15th, winners October 1st.  
*Publication-launch and prize celebration date to be determined*  
*De Anza College, Cupertino California*

Submit up to three original unpublished poems at [Submittable.com](https://www.submittable.com).

One \$15 submission fee good for all three poems; upload all poems in one file, please.  
Each poem must fit onto one 8.5 x 11 page. Yes, simultaneous submissions accepted.

No author name on text or in file name.

Co-sponsors: Poetry Center San José & Red Wheelbarrow.  
Deadline, 11:59 PM, Pacific Daylight Time, July 31st, 2025



**Stephen Kuusisto** holds a “University Professorship” at Syracuse where he teaches across multiple disciplines and serves as the Director of the Burton Blatt Institute’s interdisciplinary programs. He’s the author of the memoirs *Planet of the Blind* (a “New York Times Notable Book”) and *Eavesdropping: A Memoir of Blindness* and *Listening* as well as *Have Dog, Will Travel: A Poet’s Journey*. His previous collections of poems include *Only Bread, Only Light*, *Letters to Borges*, and *Old Horse, What is to Be Done?* His latest book, *Close Escapes* will be published by Copper Canyon Press in the spring of 2025.