

**POETRY SOCIETY OF TEXAS ~ GULF COAST POETS
2008 MEMBER APPLICATION**

We invite you to join the Gulf Coast Poets. Our Mission: To encourage reading, writing and performance of poetry, and promote the general purposes of the Poetry Society of Texas. Fees and types of memberships are listed on the back of this application, plus contact information for PST.

Date of Application:

Full Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Cell Phone:

Home Phone:

Office Phone:

E-Mail 1:

E-Mail 2:

Other Writing Group Memberships:

Make your check out to "Gulf Coast Poets". (Put "Dues" in the memo line of your check.) Return with this form to an officer or mail to: Gulf Coast Poets, c/o Mary M. Carlisle, P.O. Box 580037, Houston, Texas 77258-0037

Amount Enclosed:

Check Number:

Type of Membership (See Reverse Side):

If your mailing address and home address are in two different cities, please fill in the blank: I live in: _____ (city name)

I affirm that I am a current member of the Poetry Society of Texas state chapter in Dallas: Yes No (circle one).

I would like to sponsor a meeting speaker or a poetry contest, and have enclosed a separate check for \$25.00. (Place "speaker fund" or "contest fund" in the memo line.)
Yes No (circle one)

SIGNATURE:

GULF COAST POETS MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND FEES

Active Membership (Native Texan or Citizen of Texas)	\$ 15.00
Associate Membership (Out-of-state, or organization)	\$ 20.00
Lifetime Membership (One time fee)	\$100.00
Student Member	\$ 5.00

College or Junior/Senior high school student (only with a copy of current student id)

The Gulf Coast Poets is both affiliated with and holds a charter from the Poetry Society of Texas. However, dues must be paid to both organizations to belong to both the Gulf Coast Poets and to the Poetry Society of Texas. Membership in PST is not required, but it does have the benefit of including membership in the National Federation of State Poetry Societies, Inc. (NFSPS). Society members are eligible to compete for NFSPS awards and to participate in its activities. The Society is an affiliate of the Academy of American Poets, however individual memberships in the Academy must be obtained through AAP.

POETRY SOCIETY OF TEXAS GENERAL INFORMATION

PST membership dues are \$25.00 a year for Active members, and may be paid in advance for any upcoming year from July 1 through June 30. You must include a note when you send your check, saying what year your dues are meant. Example: "I wish to pay for the 2008-2009 year." When you apply, please include the information that you are a member of the Gulf Coast Poets Chapter.

PST Members, unless specifically exempt, must have their dues current before submitting their contest entries. To be listed in their current *A Book of the Year* dues must be received by November 30. The status of a member's dues is shown on the address label of *The Bulletin*. A brochure giving full requirements for membership may be obtained from the Membership Chairman. Send dues, correspondence relating thereto, change of address and/or corrections to:

Lee Carroll, Membership Chairman
Poetry Society of Texas
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Fort Worth, TX 76155
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