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Postal entries with payment should be sent to: **Magma Open Poetry Pamphlet Competition, 3 Falkland Avenue, Finchley, London, N3 1QR** and be postmarked no later than **1 August 2022**.

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Thank you for your participation and we wish you good luck with your entry.

Magma aims to present through poetry the many ways we live and create today. Editorship of the magazine rotates, with guest editors and mentorships, allowing great diversity. Each issue has a theme and poems that value experimentation, ambition and craft, by new and known writers. In an inclusive world of poetry we understand the power of language in helping to explore, study and question the realities we live in.

open poetry pamphlet competition 2022

JUDGE: Alycia Pirmohamed

DEADLINE: 1 AUGUST 2022

MAGMA invites you to enter our third pamphlet competition, now open for entries. We are delighted to have **Alycia Pirmohamed** as judge.

■ **1ST PRIZE:** Publication of the winning pamphlet + launch reading ■ Poets on the shortlist of 10 will each get a paragraph of feedback from the judge. ■ The winner and 3 others will have a poem published in Magma. ■ All shortlisted poets will have a poem published on our website. ■ Alycia Pirmohamed will read 50 entries selected by Magma board members. ■ **DEADLINE:** Monday 1 August 2022 ■

JUDGE

Alycia Pirmohamed is the author of *Hinge*, *Faces that Fled the Wind*, and *Second Memory* (co-authored with Pratyusha). Her collection *Another Way to Split Water* is forthcoming in 2022. Alycia is co-founder of the Scottish Black People & People Of Colour Writers Network and co-organiser of the Ledbury Poetry Critics. She studied creative writing at the University of Oregon and the University of Edinburgh.



She says: “I’m drawn to poetry, whatever its theme or genre, that uses vivid language and is attentive to structure. By this, I mean poetry that has elements like surprising comparisons, evocative sounds, sensuous descriptions, and intentional forms. I’m excited when a poet passes on a story or narrative as an experience.”

My hands melt
over the oak’s leaves. I encounter the first woman

by encountering my own face in the river.
Two bodies alike, one drenched

in inheritance.

from ‘Fine Art’ by Alycia Pirmohamed

JUDGING AND RESULTS

- Entries will be read initially by a panel of Magma editors, who will give the judge a longlist of 50
- The judge will choose the winning pamphlet from a shortlist of 10. She will provide a short paragraph of feedback to all 10 poets
- The winner and shortlisted poets will be contacted in October/ November 2022
- The winning pamphlet will be published by Magma in early 2023. Copyright will remain with the author. Magma will have the right to use any of the poems for publicity
- Magma will host a launch, either online or real-life. We’d expect the winner to help with organisation and publicity for this
- A poem from the winning pamphlet and one each from three shortlisted pamphlets will be published in Magma magazine. A poem from each shortlisted pamphlet will be published on our website.

COMPETITION RULES – Your pamphlet

- Please send us 18–20 pages of poems
- Poems should be typed in single spacing on one side of A4 and in 12 font. Start each poem on a new page. Maximum 40 lines per page. If you include a poem sequence in which the poems are 14 lines long or less, then you may put two on a page
- All poems must be your original work. They may have been published in magazines (paper or online) and anthologies but not in a pamphlet or collection
- Poems should be in the English language or any of its dialects. They must be for adults and must not be translations of someone else’s work
- Your pamphlet should have a title which should appear on each page. Please do a front page with the pamphlet title and list of contents
- Entries must be anonymous: **no name or contact details on any page**
- Anyone may enter unless they advise or work for Magma
- Simultaneous submissions are allowed but please let us know straight away if your pamphlet has been accepted elsewhere. The fee is not refundable
- No changes can be made once you have submitted the pamphlet
- We won’t return pamphlets on paper, so please keep a copy.

HOW TO ENTER

- **The deadline** is midnight UK time on **Monday 1 August**. Postal entries postmarked on that date will be accepted. Submittable users: we recommend you enter well before the deadline to avoid any technical problems arising from a last-minute rush
- **Entry costs** £22, or £16 if you are a Magma subscriber. Non-subscribers may pay the subscribers’ rate if they take out a subscription when they enter: magmapoetry.com/buy-magma Payment must be in pounds sterling
- **Concessions:** We are offering a limited number of free entries, for those for whom the entry fee would be unaffordable. Please go to magmapoetry.com/pamphlet-competition for details
- **If entering online**, please go to the web page above and follow the instructions. Put the title of your pamphlet in the title box. You will be given the option to pay either by credit card or by PayPal
- **If entering by post:** Please include two copies of your front page. Both should show the pamphlet title and a contents list. One copy should also contain your contact details: name, address, email, phone number. Send to: **Magma (Pamphlet Competition), 3 Falkland Avenue, Finchley, London, N3 1QR**. Enclose the entry form (over page) and a cheque made out to **Magma Poetry**. Please put enough stamps on!
- **If entering from outside the UK** it’s probably easier to enter online; PayPal will convert your fee to pounds sterling. But if you wish to enter by post from abroad you may do so provided you can include a cheque in pounds sterling
- You may enter as many pamphlets as you like.

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