THE DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH AT UAF INTRODUCES:

The 1st Annual Derick Burleson Poetry Contest

Graduate

$100.00 AWARD

THE CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL GRADUATE STUDENTS AT UAF. THE AWARD WILL BE FOR THE BEST SUBMISSION OF A COLLECTION OF THREE POEMS:

ENTRIES MUST BE SENT TO RENEE PIKE at rhpike2@alaska.edu on or before MARCH 22, 2021

EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD HAVE A COVER SHEET THAT INCLUDES:

THE CONTEST TITLE, NAME OF STUDENT, STUDENT I.D. NUMBER, ADDRESS, AND THE TITLE OF THE ENTRY. THE AUTHOR'S NAME SHOULD NOT APPEAR ON THE ENTRY.

ONLY ONE ENTRY OF 3 POEMS PER PARTICIPANT. POEMS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED AS A SINGLE DOCUMENT

Derick Burleson was a beloved poet and professor at UAF. He was the author of the poetry collections *Melt, Never Night*, and *Ejo: Poems, Rwanda 1991-94*, which won the 2000 Felix Pollak Prize in Poetry. His love for poetry and for Alaska was infectious, and he mentored many undergraduate and graduate students during his career. Derick passed away in 2016. Samples of Derick's poetry can be found here: [http://www.poetryfoundation.org/poets/derick-burleson#tab-poems](http://www.poetryfoundation.org/poets/derick-burleson#tab-poems)