The Poetry Foundation

Poetry Out Loud Attestation Form

Section 274(a)(1)(A)(ii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. 1324(a)(1)(A)(ii), provides for criminal penalties for anyone who, knowing or in reckless disregard of the fact that an alien has come to, entered, or remains in the United States in violation of law, transports, or moves or attempts to transport or move such alien within the United States by means of transportation or otherwise, in furtherance of such violation of law.

For purposes of Poetry Out Loud's compliance with federal immigration law and as a condition of my receipt of transportation expenses in connection with the Poetry Out Loud competition, I attest as follows:

___ I am a citizen or national of the United States;

___ I am a lawful permanent resident of the United States;

___ I have been admitted to the United States as a refugee;

 $_$ I am an applicant for, or have been granted asylum or withholding of removal in the United States;

__ I am in a lawful nonimmigrant (e.g., H-4, L-2) visa status;

___ I am in valid temporary protected status (TPS);

___ I have been granted deferred action for childhood arrivals (DACA);

__ I have been paroled into the United States and such parole has neither expired nor been revoked;

___ I have been granted a stay of removal; or

___ I am in a period of stay authorized by the United States Government.

I hereby attest to the Poetry Foundation that the foregoing information is true, complete and accurate and I understand that this information may be used to verify my lawful presence in the United States.

Date

Printed name of the participant

Signature of the participant

If the participant is a minor, a legal guardian or parent of the participant must sign:

Printed name of legal guardian or parent

Signature of legal guardian or parent

Please email the completed form to Justine Haka: <u>jhaka@poetryfoundation.org</u> or fax to (312) 787-6650.