

NEXTFEST POETRY SLAM

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PERFECT SCORE OF 4:

- The poet has an extremely engaging performance.
- The poet presents a very clear and unique viewpoint or message.
- The piece is focused.
- The piece displays cutting-edge and/or well-used literary devices and techniques.

SCORE OF 3:

- The poet has a somewhat engaging performance.
- The poet's presentation of viewpoint and/or message is clear.
- The piece tends to wander from the focus point.
- The piece displays considerable knowledge/ innovation regarding the usage of literary devices and techniques.

SCORE OF 2:

- The poet's performance seems unrehearsed or unfocused.
- The poet's viewpoint or message seems muddled or hidden.
- There is no clear focus point.
- The piece displays some knowledge/ innovation regarding the usage of literary devices and techniques.

SCORE OF 1:

- The poet's performance is inaudible or incomprehensible.
- The poet's viewpoint is muddled or clichéd.
- The piece seems to have no focus point at all.
- The piece displays little knowledge/ innovation regarding the usage of literary devices and techniques.

