



## “Christmas in Kerrville” Poem Search Rules and Regulations

### **Qualifying poem(s) must:**

- Be titled “Christmas in Kerrville”
- Be tastefully written
- Be positive in nature
- Be descriptive of Kerrville
- Contain the word Kerrville in the body

### **Submission of poem(s) must:**

- Include name, address, phone number, and email address of poet
- Include the City of Kerrville General Release form
- Meet qualifications
- Meet deadlines

Poems submitted that do not meet all qualifications will result in disqualification. Poems submitted will not be returned. Poems submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

### **Examples:**

#### *Example One:*

*In Kerrville’s glow of holiday cheer,  
The river shimmers crystal clear.  
Lights dance softly, hearts grow bright—  
Christmas in Kerrville feels just right.*

#### *Example Two: Here is a link to [last year’s winning entry](#).*

### **Key Dates**

- Submissions will be accepted beginning Tues., Nov., 18, 2025
- Entries will close Tues., Dec. 2, 2025, 5:00 p.m. CT. Wednesday
- City of Kerrville chooses top 3 poems and posts to Facebook page
- Community and public vote on favorite submission from Dec. 3, 1 p.m. to Dec. 5, 10 a.m.

### **Official judges – City of Kerrville + YOU:**

- Members of the City of Kerrville’s administration will review the poems anonymously and choose the top three.
- Citizens will then have the opportunity to choose one of the three by voting for their favorite on Facebook.

### **In Recognition of the winning submission, the winning poem / poet will receive:**

- An Official City Proclamation from Mayor Joe Herring Jr. at the City Council meeting held on Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at 6:00 pm, declaring poem as the Official 2025 “Christmas in Kerrville” poem
- Opportunity to read poem at the City Council meeting held on Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at 6:00 pm
- Publication on the City of Kerrville’s Facebook page
- Publication in the Hill Country Community Journal on Wednesday, December 10, 2025
- Publication of the in the Kerrville Daily Times on Thursday, December 11, 2025

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