

Battle of Edgehill Exhibition: poetry competition  
[www.battleofedgehill exhibitionradway.org.uk/poetry](http://www.battleofedgehill exhibitionradway.org.uk/poetry)

Calling all poets and writers

Two years ago, a small group of volunteers, with the support of the Heritage Lottery Fund, set up a permanent exhibition in St Peter's Church, Radway, in South Warwickshire. The interactive and static displays tell the story of the Battle of Edgehill in October 1642, the first armed conflict of the English Civil War, and describe the impact of the battle on the local community.

To coincide with the anniversary of the battle, and to mark two years of the exhibition and accompanying website [battleofedgehill exhibitionradway.org.uk](http://battleofedgehill exhibitionradway.org.uk) we are holding a poetry competition which will be judged by Clare Mulley a Yorkshire-born poet, journalist and teacher who is Poet in Residence at the Battlefields Trust. We very much hope that you will enter. (*How to enter; see below*).

Poems should reflect the broad aims of the exhibition, which are two-fold:

- 1 To tell the story of the Battle of Edgehill which took place in the fields around Radway in October 1642
- 2 To reflect on the impact of such an historic event on the community of this tiny Warwickshire village.

Poems will be judged, and prizes of book tokens given, in four categories:

- 1 Children of Primary School age
- 2 Secondary School students aged between 11 and 18
- 3 Adults, 19 and over

Residents of Radway village.

Poems can be submitted in either handwritten form or electronically. Please note that we cannot return entries, so don't send us the only copy!

1. Handwritten poems should be sent to:-

Battle of Edgehill Poetry Competition

c/o 1 The Green

Radway

Warwick

Warwickshire

CV35 0UG

2. You can email your poems to:-

[poetry@battleofedgehill exhibitionradway.org.uk](mailto:poetry@battleofedgehill exhibitionradway.org.uk)

Full email address requires javascript to be active.

Please note:

Please include your name, chosen category and your contact email address or home address.

The closing date for entries is **22nd September 2017**.

Clare Mulley will select the winning entries, and present the prizes at the exhibition site in St Peter's Church, Radway, on Saturday 21st October 2017 at 3pm.

Good luck!