

Meet Nasra, our new Youth Poet Laureate

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Nasra Adem has been named as the City of Edmonton's new Youth Poet Laureate.

Adem is a 22-year-old multidisciplinary artist. She is the 2014 winner of the Edmonton Poetry Slam and has performed her work at many events, including YouthCanSlam and the Canadian Festival of Spoken Word. Adem is the founder of Sister 2 Sister, a monthly artistic showcase by women of colour.

"I think the power that the youth wield; their passion for change, their newness and hope, their intelligence and fire is something Edmonton should both fear and be in awe of," said Adem. "As Youth Poet Laureate, I look forward to facilitating spaces for this power to be celebrated!"

As Youth Poet Laureate, Adem will perform at public events, including writing a minimum of two original poems to be performed at the City of Edmonton Youth Council and City Council meetings. Adem is Edmonton's second Youth Poet Laureate. She will serve a one-year term.

The position is sponsored by the Edmonton Poetry Festival, City of Edmonton Youth Council, and the City of Edmonton.



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