

## A Friend by Henry Gaertner

Man's best friend

A friend so easy to love

A friend that is loyal

A friend who's always there for you

A friend who loves to play with you

A friend who can always cheer you up

A friend that brings you great joy

A friend who will leap for the Frisbee

A friend that will chase the stick and the ball

A friend that does tricks

Dogs

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Genre (memoir, essay, poetry, etc.): Poem Word Count: 73

Adult (18 +)

Teen (Grade 7-12 or equivalent) (Must have parent/guardian signature below)

Youth (Grade 1-6 or equivalent) (Must have parent/guardian signature below)

***I declare the attached manuscript is entirely my own work and that it conforms to the contest guidelines. I have read and I agree to all contest guidelines.***

Signed: Henry Gaertner Date: 2/14/16

(Entrant)

Signed: Christina Gaertner Date: 2/13/16

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## **Guidelines – Writing Contest:**

1. Word length maximum of 1,500.
2. Limit of one entry per person.
3. All entries must be original, unpublished and not have won any previous awards.
4. Manuscripts must be submitted electronically in a Word document, including extensions of .doc, .docx, .rtf, .txt.
5. Manuscripts must be in standard format: typed, double spaced, Times New Roman 12pt or larger font.
6. The judges' decisions will be final and no correspondence will be entered into regarding their decisions.