

THE RICHARD WISE PRIZES



Is it a **crime** to be **poor**?

In early 2023 Is It A Crime To Be Poor (ICP) will run a competition, open to everyone living in the UK, with prizes for the best entries in three categories. *Launch date of the competition is 21st February 2023.*

To get started please visit <https://crimetobepoor.org> and read the ICP Mission Statement and blogs.

The **competition**

- We invite anyone resident in the UK to write on this topic:

Is it a crime to be poor?

- We ask for a piece of writing that is readable, interesting and original: an essay, a blog, a short story, a poem, a play, a letter (to someone real or imaginary), a film or TV script or a personal account drawn from your own life.
- Word limit is 1200 words including footnotes, if any.
- Any work quoted must be referenced. The reference list is not included in the word limit.

Final date for entries: Friday 31st March 2023

The entry form is on <https://crimetobepoor.org> Enquiries and entries by email to: icp.organisation98@gmail.com

Prize A - Open to everyone age 18 and over: **1st prize £150, two 2nd prizes £50**


Prize B - For anyone who has experienced detention or custody (in prison, secure hospital, young offender institution, immigration removal centre etc), not currently under the supervision of the criminal justice system: **1st prize £150, two 2nd prizes £50**

Prize C - For young people up to 18: **1st prize £150, two 2nd prizes £50**

For information about Richard Wise see <https://crimetobepoor.org>. We plan to publish a selection of the entries on the ICP website.

The prize money has been donated by The Oakdale Trust
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