

Poetry Society of Tennessee Members-Only Contest Results 2022-2023

Contests run June 2022 through May 2023.

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| June/July/August | No contests |
| September A humorous poem, 40-line limit, any subject Many thanks to sponsor and judge Florence Bruce. | Winners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st: "Fix Me" by Bill Hill • 2nd: "Clark's Dilemma" by Russell Strauss • 3rd: "my Old Man" by Ann Carolyn Cates |
| October A cinquain or cinquain sequence., any subject. Many thanks to sponsor and judge Howard Carman. | Winners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st: Russell Strauss, "Remnants" • 2nd: Sara Gipson, "Flightless" • 3rd: Ann Carolyn Cates, "Wine Making" • Honorable Mention: Florence Bruce: "A Year in Cinquain" |
| November A Shakespearean sonnet. Many thanks to sponsor and judge JoAn Howerton. | Winners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st: William Hill, "A Painter's View of Autumn Sunset" • 2nd: Russell Strauss, "Late Autumn Love" • 3rd: Patricia Hope, "Autumn's Fading" • 1HM: Mark Hudson, "Mice of Autumn" • 2HM: Howard Carman, "Jack O 'Lantern" • 3HM: Ann Carolyn Cates, "Merry Go Round" |
| December | Winners: |

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| <p>A limerick about pets.</p> <p>Many thanks to sponsor Anna's Pet Sitting and judge Bill Hill.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st: "At Least, There Was No More Doggy Breath" by Russell Strauss • 2nd: "The Chicken" by Claire Webb • 3rd: "Willow" by Mark Hudson • 1HM: untitled by Lisa Kamolnick • 2HM: "Zippy Skippy" by Howard Carman • 3HM: "The Board Broad" by Ann Carolyn Cates |
| <p>January</p> <p>Any form about a fresh start, 40-line limit.</p> <p>Many thanks to sponsor and judge Lisa Kamolnick.</p> | <p>Winners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st: "Ode to the Little Orchid Trying to Survive" by Shuly Cawood • 2nd: "Love in Color" by Claire Webb • 3rd: "Nobody Knows Me Here" by Russell Strauss • HM1: "This Year I'll Make It" by William Hill • HM2: "Tabula Rasa" by Howard Carman • HM3: "Nature's Special Gift" by Sara Gipson |
| <p>February</p> <p>A cowboy poem, either lyric or narrative, 10-40 lines.</p> <p>Many thanks to sponsor and judge Russell H. Strauss.</p> | <p>Winners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st: "Smokey Joe" by Sara Gibson • 2nd: "Print the Legend" by William Hill • 3rd: "Saving Face" by Howard Carman |
| <p>March</p> <p>A minute poem about "bad art"</p> <p>Many thanks to sponsor William Hill Art and Poetry and judge Bill Hill.</p> | <p>Winners to be announced in March</p> |

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| <p>April An ekphrastic poem in response to TBD, 5-15 lines.</p> <p>Many thanks to sponsor and judge Janet Qually.</p> | <p>Winner to be announced in April</p> |
| <p>May Any form poem about "The Ace of Spades," 40-line limit.</p> <p>Many thanks to sponsor and judge Dr. Diane Clark.</p> | <p>Winners to be announced in May</p> |

Many thanks to our entrants, sponsors and judges who make this contest possible. Congratulations to all entrants whose poetry has been recognized.

First place winning poems will be published in an upcoming edition of *Tennessee Voices*, the Poetry Society of Tennessee anthology.