

THE HAIKU CALENDAR COMPETITION 2006

WINNERS

January	'New Year's Day'	Connie Donleycott (USA)
February	'plum blossoms'	Carolyn Hall (USA)
March	'first day of spring'	Carolyn Hall (USA)
April	'forked lightning'	Ferris Gilli (USA)
May	'tomato seedlings'	Susan Antolin (USA)
June	'the woods'	Tom Painting (USA)
July	'daybreak'	Tom Clausen (USA)
August	'noon heat'	Jack Barry (USA)
September	'soaking autumn rain'	John Stevenson (USA)
October	'we bring home'	Marilyn Appl Walker (USA)
November	'starlings leave'	Christopher Patchel (USA)
December	'longest night'	Susan A. Holdridge (USA)

Each of these haiku features prominently in *The Haiku Calendar 2007*.
The Prize Money of £360/US \$600 is divided equally between the 12 Winners.

RUNNERS-UP

Francine Banwarth (USA) 'rivermelt'	D. Claire Gallagher (USA) 'scent of windfalls'	Matthew Paul (England) 'another year' 'bank holiday' 'bank of mallow'
Jack Barry (USA) 'beads of dew'	Katherine Gallagher (England) 'apple blossom'	Lynne Rees (England) 'the wind pushes'
Roberta Beary (USA) 'snowfall' 'third blizzard'	Ferris Gilli (USA) 'the children reveal'	Dave Russo (USA) 'vernal pool'
Ernest J. Berry (New Zealand) 'mountain pass'	Carolyn Hall (USA) 'rain-streaked windows'	S. R. Spanyer (USA) 'October chill'
Allan Burns (USA) 'dead snag'	Penny Harter (USA) 'after love' 'deepening'	John Stevenson (USA) 'gingerbread men' 'sparrows sift through'
Margaret Chula (USA) 'lingering twilight' 'through the wings'	Andy Hede (Australia) 'spring morning'	Marie Summers (USA) 'summer rain'
Ellen Compton (USA) 'first snow' 'soaring condor'	Christopher Herold (USA) 'hot night'	Marilyn Appl Walker (USA) 'hazy moon'
Anne LB Davidson (USA) 'full moon'	William J. Higginson (USA) 'late autumn'	Billie Wilson (USA) 'nearly dark'
Cherie Hunter Day (USA) 'a minute'	Peggy Willis Lyles (USA) 'starlit surf'	
Connie Donleycott (USA) 'creak of the swing' 'misty morning' 'sorting mother's things'	Allen McGill (Mexico) 'autumn shore'	
	Christopher Patchel (USA) 'school's out' 'summer's end' 'tall grass'	

All runners-up are published in
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ADJUDICATOR'S REPORT

Many thanks to everyone who entered this 8th annual contest, and to those who helped to publicize what is an internationally established annual haiku 'event'.

This year 686 entries were received from 176 entrants residing in 18 countries across 5 continents: USA (81 entrants), England (47), Canada (8), New Zealand (8), Australia (7), Scotland (6), Japan (3), Wales (3), Italy (2), Serbia (2), Sweden (2), Austria (1), Croatia (1), India (1), Ireland (1), Malaysia (1), Mexico (1), and South Africa (1).

As ever, in the initial stage of adjudication each poem entered faced one simple criterion – its quality as a haiku. The shortlisted haiku were then judged according to their originality and relevance to their assigned months, particularly with regards to seasonal references.

With 52 haiku by 33 authors, the resulting 2007 calendar continues a rich tradition exploring and celebrating the continuing relevance of seasonal references in English-language haiku. The existence of the calendar, which is only made possible by participation in this contest, also allows us to appreciate individual haiku such as these:

plum blossoms
I make plans
for my ashes

Carolyn Hall

daybreak
the spider centered
in its web

Tom Clausen

the woods
on the cusp of darkness
whip-poor-whill

Tom Painting

we bring home
the wild magnolia seeds
starlit night

Marilyn Appl Walker

Many thanks again to all entrants for making both this contest and the calendar a worthwhile, and ongoing, experience. I would like to congratulate all the winning poets, and hope that their haiku will be widely appreciated throughout the coming year.

John Barlow

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