

## APS 2019 Annual Contest Results

APS received more than 180 contest entries this year. Contest 15 didn't have enough entries to be judged. Contest 2 Spoken Word Contest was determined by the audience.

<b>#1</b>	<b>The Austin Poetry Society Award</b>		<b>#10</b>	<b>The Trick or Treat Award</b>	
1st	Huff	Jeffrey Taylor	1st	The Hunt	Diana Conces
2nd	Step Easy	Susan J. Rogers	2nd	A Halloween Romance	Bradley Strahan
3rd	Simplicity in Strife	Tamanna Ferdous	3rd	Who Wants Candy, Anyway	Von Bourland
HM	A true Friendship	Lavern Spencer McCarthy	HM	Skeletons in the Closet	Jeffrey Taylor
			HM	Falling From the Family Tree	Barbara Blanks
<b>#2</b>	<b>The Spoken Word Contest</b>		<b>#11</b>	<b>The Animal Passion Award</b>	
1st	Enchantment of the Ordinary: Spring Janelle Curlin-Taylor		1st	Hatching	Diana Conces
2nd	Michigan Summer	Ailana Larson	2nd	A Pantoum for Max	Shubh Schiesser
3rd	Time & Ink	Jeffrey Taylor	(tie)		
HM	A true Friendship	Lavern Spencer McCarthy	2nd	The Cantankerous Rhinoceros	Barbara Blanks
<b>#3</b>	<b>A World Without Borders</b>		3rd	Buck	Jerri Hardesty
1st	Home	Diana Conces	HM	Explaining Girl's	
2nd	From Space	Jerri Hardesty		Muddled Milk	LaVern Spencer McCarthy
3rd	The Emigrant's Song	Bradley Strahan	<b>#12</b>	<b>The "I Remember" Award</b>	
HM	Remove the Blindfolds and Gags	Von Bourland	1st	Moving from Detroit to Fort Stevens at Age 16	Barbara Blanks
<b>#4</b>	<b>The Funny Side of Life</b>		2nd	Upon Running into a Former Item of Clothing at Goodwill	Carie Juettner
1st	Crossed Wires	Jerri Hardesty	3rd	Dad's Heaven (For my father who taught me love!	Bradley Strahan
2nd	Who's There	Carie Juettner	HM	The Teacher	Janelle Curtin-Taylor
3rd	Politics and Leftovers	LaVern Spencer McCarthy	<b>#14</b>	<b>Mary Oliver Award</b>	
HM	Dryer	Benjamin Nash	1st	A Beautiful Day	Carie Juettner
HM	Exercising Excuses	Barbara Blanks	2nd	Velvet Lullabies	Von S. Bourland
<b>#5</b>	<b>Repurpose, Reuse, Recycle</b>		3rd	Leaves	Shubh Schiesser
1st	Quick Meal, c. 1952-1953	Von Bourland	HM	On the shore	Diana Conces
2nd	Mixing It Up	Barbara Blanks	<b>#16</b>	<b>The Haiku-Senryu Delight Award</b>	
3rd	Quilt with Chicken Grease	Jeffrey Taylor	1st	"dark, feathery stain"	Carie Juettner
HM	Great Grandpa's Profession	Bradley Strahan	2nd	"in the buzz of spring"	Diana Conces
<b>#6</b>	<b>The Road Trip</b>		3rd	"barren winter sky"	Lavern Spencer McCarthy
1st	Outskirts of C'est la Vie	Claire Vogel Camargo	HM	"hey squirrel"	Jeffrey Taylor
2nd	Riding Free	Diana Conces	<b>#17</b>	<b>Summer Fun Award</b>	
3rd	Are We There Yet?	LaVern Spencer McCarthy	1st	The Summer We Were Ten Years Old	Rachel Talen
HM	Hurling	Jeffrey Taylor	2nd	August's End	Carie Juettner
<b>#7</b>	<b>The Unexpected</b>		3rd	Solstice Thief	Shubh Schiesser
1st	Nonsignificant Dimensional Discrepancies	Diana Conces	HM	Summer Sings a Line from Carl Sandburg	Bradley Strahan
2nd	A Great Way to Start a New Year	Von S. Bourland	HM	Summer Breeze	Jerri Hardesty
3rd	Walking Home from the Internet Café in Baroda, India	Rachel Talen	<b>#18</b>	<b>Shakespearean Sonnet Award</b>	
HM	Cover Letter	Jerri Hardesty	1st	Drama Llama	Diana Conces
HM	The Petroglyphs	Ailana Larson	2nd	Saturday Bath	Von Bourland
<b>#8</b>	<b>Fill In the Blanks</b>		3rd	Love From Scratch	Carie Juettner
1st	Long Walk to the Ocean	Diana Conces	HM	Conduit	Jerri Hardesty
2nd	Waiting for the Train	Rachel Talen	<b>#19</b>	<b>The Poetry of Presence Award</b>	
3rd	Grandpa's New Life	LaVern Spencer McCarthy	1st	Love Letter from DSM5 296.33	Amy Schumacher
<b>#9</b>	<b>World Peace Award</b>		(tie)		
1st	Prisoner	Diana Conces	1st	Evening's Last Rabbit	Diana Conces
2nd	The Night Sky is a Thin Place	Rachel Talen	2nd	Between the Branches	Carie Juettner
3rd	Coexistence	Barbara Blanks	3rd	Turning Around in Twilight	Susan J. Rogers
HM	Ending Empire	Bradley Straha			