

# 2026 Member Contest Winners

January 2026

Judged By:

Category I – Traditional Form

Category II – Free Verse

Brenda Wildrick ~ *Stone Moon Speaks*

Category III – Topic: Moving On

March 2026

Judged by: Lynne McNamara

Category I – Traditional

Jenny Wrenn ~ *It's Not Personal*

*Personal Aesthetic*

Janice Canerdy ~ *The Matter of Trust*

Category II – Free Verse

Jenny Wrenn ~ *Spider Line*

*Sword and Steel Toed Boots*

*Pine Song*

### Category III – Topic: Overseas

Christy White ~ *Denarau, Fiji*

Jenny Wrenn ~ *Crossing Over*  
*High Adventure*

### Category IV – 2026 Previous Winners

*Fragile Tranquility*

*Resurrection*

*Snow Moon*

May 2026

Judged by: Jackie White

### Category I – Traditional Form:

John Crawford ~ *Bear and Neighbor Yap*

Janice Canerdy ~ *Besties*

Linda Payne ~ *In Early Spring*

### Category II – Free Verse

David Boyce ~ *Horrendous Heartbreak Heartthrob*

Tom Chester ~ *Neckties*

Trent Lee ~ *Road Down South*

### Category III – Topic: A Sudden Storm

Katie Zale ~ *As the Sea and Love Might*

Jessica Kurak ~ *Initiation*

Trent Lee ~ *The Winds*

### Category IV – 2026 Previous Winners

Martha Balph ~ *Notre Dame*

Cathy Thomkins ~ *Ode to 2025*

Jenny Wrenn ~ *Wedding Cake*