

Horizons-on-the-Hudson Poets are World Class!

From Top 10 in Book Creator International Poetry Contest to HOH-Designated Poet Laureates!

Poet Laureates and Other Awesome Poets:



**Fernanda C.'s
Poems!!**

***Notable:** Fernanda, inspired by Alondra and Nadia, used remarkably engaging images, including gifs to bring her poetry to life. She included 5 of the 6 genres covered in class AND translated many of her poems into Spanish. Fernanda has the *greatest variety of qualifying poems* in all—26 to be exact! She also answered our NYS Senator's call to submit an Earth Day Poem!!!
—Mrs. Jumpp

Inaugural Poet!
Congratulations!
4th Grade **Poet Laureate**
(HOH Poetry Contest 23-24)

4th grade, Newburgh NY.



**Nadia M's
Poem Book**

5th Grade
Mrs. GH's Class

Inaugural Poet!
Congratulations!
5th Grade **Poet Laureate**
(HOH Poetry Contest 23-24)

***Notable:** Nadia has inspired many students (grades 1 thru 5) to improve on their poetry and the presentation of their eBooks. She has included ALL 6 genres covered in class AND created her own genre. Nadia has the *second greatest VARIETY of qualifying poems*—19 to be exact!!! She also answered our NYS Senator's call to submit an Earth Day Poem and was first to bring her poetry and eBook to life!!!—Mrs. Jumpp



Olivia M's Poem Book

***Notable:** Olivia included ALL 6 genres covered in class AND created her own genre. She was only one of two poets to create the literary device, *Portmanteau*. Olivia tied for the *second greatest VARIETY of qualifying poems*—19 to be exact!!! She also answered our NYS Senator's call to submit an Earth Day Poem!!!—Mrs. Jumpp

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Basketball Poems
by **Ameer C**

Congratulations!
5th Grade
Poetry Superstar
(HOH Poetry Contest 23-24)

***Notable:** Ameer is an impressive team player who worked collaboratively with 3 classmates to create a rap inspired by visiting Classical Pianist, Joe Bush. He also incorporated basketball jargon in his Haiku!!!—Mrs. Jumpp



MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL (MLB)
by **Jayden L**
Baseball Expert

Congratulations!
4th Grade **Poetry Superstar**
(HOH Poetry Contest 23-24)

***Notable:** Jayden proved to be a true baseball maven. He used his vast knowledge of baseball and players, including those in the Negro Leagues and the MLB Hall of Fame to wow us with new facts, which he then turned into poetry. He independently found and included video footage (many historical) in his poetry!!!—Mrs. Jumpp

These pictures represent the covers of some scholars' Poetry eBooks

Many HOH scholars enthusiastically joined our Library Poetry Club and had been anticipating a chance (like those last school year), to enter the International Book Creator Poetry Contest. However, when Book Creator decided not to host the contest this school year, HOH Poetry enthusiasts (listed below) did not give up. Instead, they proposed that we create our own contest! They even helped develop rules and many of the categories (**Special Mention, Poetry Star, Poetry Superstar and Poet Laureate**) for the **Inaugural HOH Poetry Contest**.

These scholars visited the library regularly and sometimes had to be encouraged to take recess. They worked diligently, striving to enhance their poetry-writing skills especially the use of literary devices, and grew to understand the importance of collaboration, constructive critique, peer review and editing. Some scholars received recognition for their poetry submitted in NYS Senator Rolison's Earth Day Contest, April 2024!

Inaugural Library Poetry Club Members/ Poetry Enthusiasts			
5th Graders	4th Graders		3rd Graders
Alondra N Nadia M Rhodes G-O	Payton R Xiley L Olivia M Fernanda C	Madisyn B Eileen F Za Lyen J Levon P	Kamila S Sacred P

Inspired by these scholars, by the end of the school year, other scholars from grade 1 - 5 had submitted **208 eBooks with multiple, original poems in different genres. Thirty-five (35) scholars who met the contest qualifications were judged “Top of the Crop”**. Access the [Inaugural HOH Poetry Contest Library](#) and enjoy mellifluous, engaging poems!

Thanks to all our scholars who made the effort to create original poetry. Many of you came close to qualifying and we are sure you will get there with continued effort. Also, thanks to Ms. Carraro & Ms. Bravo for your help with editing.

HOH Library Poetry Collection Made International Top 10!



FANTASTIC, FUN, FUNNY, FOR-YOU

POETRY!

Book Creator Poetry Competition--Category: **Ages 4-11**

A Library Project
Written by Scholars of
Horizons-on-the-Hudson (HOH) Magnet School
Newburgh, New York, USA

Click [here](#) to access the top 10 Poetry eBooks from around the world in all age categories. Then, scroll down to find HOH's *Fantastic, Fun, Funny, For-You Poetry!*

As many as 51 HOH scholars contributed to this labor of love. Along with a tribute to Newburgh are several poems of appreciation to our US Military, the latter inspired by a year-long library project with Staff Sgt. Chrissy Rivers of West Point.

The collection placed 7th to be exact. It was the first submission into the Book Creator International competition that, **according to judges, "...had over 100 entrants from around the world, showcasing amazing poetry and book design skills"**. Judge Matthew Friday (International Teacher, Literacy Consultant, and Professional Storyteller) gave HOH special mention, stating, *"This collection of poetry was immediately engaging with the first poem, The Auspicious Alsdorfs. That serious poem hooked me and I was enthralled, delighted, surprised and entertained throughout"*. Additionally, the HOH collection is included as one of Book Creator's exemplars under their Poetry category.