

7th Annual Children's Matsuri

Haiku Contest Winners

Sponsored by Kirin



Age Category: 5 to 8 years old

1st place

“A Smiling Moon”
By Emika Saito

One lovely spring night
A beautiful yellow moon
Smiles shining at me

2nd place

“Honey Bee”
By Mackenzie Clemens

The honey bee queen
Buzzed a beautiful flower
In the morning sun

3rd place

“I Wish I Had a Cat”
By Anna Vogtmann

They climb trees and scratch
They rub their faces against yours
Furry, cuddly, soft

Age Category: 9 to 13 years old

1st place

“Pole Vaulting”
By Alex Bogardus

Running really fast
Jumping super duper high
Wishing I could fly

2nd place

“The Beach”
By Leilani Monzon

Going to the beach
Swimming in the ocean tides
Wishing to go back

3rd place

“Bald Eagles”
By Aaron Hellerstein

Bold and high they fly
They soar overhead, graceful
They stand for freedom

Age Category: 14 to 18 years old

1st place

“Spring Serenity”
By Kristin Leeds

Glorious and pink
Nature's graceful gift each spring
Cherry blossoms bloom

2nd place

“International Friendship”
By Krista Orlebeck

Two sister cities
Temecula and Daisen
Making new friendships

3rd place

“America”
By Briana Alonzo

Sea to shining sea
Red white blue waving in air
Freedom in free land