

Haiku Festival's 10th Anniversary Anthology excerpts

Eyes of Medusa
The heat of my smile turned cold
And my heart a stone

2013-1st Prize: Vontrice Bobo, Age 13, Grade 8
Charles Gates Dawes Elementary

Threads of silk so thin
The blind man's widow crouches
Watching and waiting

2012-1st Prize: Olivia Perozo, Age 14, Grade 8
University of Chicago Laboratory School

A garden of lies
Blooming and twisting in gloom
Locking out the light

2011-1st Prize: Julia Hedges, Age 13, Grade 7
University of Chicago Laboratory School

Dancing on the roof
Being watched through the window
Do not tell Lily

2010-1st Prize: Korbin Carnegie, Age 13, Grade 8
University of Chicago Laboratory School

My golden pencil
Paints gleaming silver rivers
Its pink hat dances

2009-1st Prize: Louie Harboe, Age 13, Grade 7
University of Chicago Laboratory School