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Ripples

a Pantoum Poetry Competition

Open to students of all colleges!



Concept

Originated in Malaysia in the fifteenth-century as a short folk poem, a Pantoum is a poem of any length, composed of four-line stanzas in which the second and fourth lines of each stanza serve as the first and third lines of the next stanza. The last line of a pantoum is often the same as the first. This intense repetition slows the poem down, as the reader takes four steps forward, then two back, making the pantoum a perfect form for the evocation of a past time.

Cauldron invites you to deep dive into the ripples of what once was, into the landscapes of yesterday, to journey back in time, one verse at a time.

Participants can explore the following subthemes/genres but not stay limited to:

- Dreams and Reality
- Time
- Seasons of Change
- Fleeting Memories
- Cyclical Patterns of joy and loss
- History and Heritage
- Threads of Fate
- Love and Longing
- Childhood

Read this Pantoum by Chelle Wood to get an idea:

Dance In The Rain

Come, dance in the rain with me
Let it wash our cares away
Drench us through and set us free
If only for today

Let it wash our cares away

Don't worry about tomorrow

If only for today

Along my path, please follow

Don't worry about tomorrow
This shower soon will end
Along my path, please follow
Cast worry to the wind

This shower soon will end
The memory, it will linger
Cast worry to the wind
Sate the primal hunger

The memory, it will linger
Drench us through and set us free
Sate the primal hunger
Come, dance in the rain with me...



Round 1:

Entries to be submitted online through a Google Form from 10th-17th February, 2025 (Check out slide 7)

Round 2:

Shortlisted participants will be invited to JMC on 20th February to elocute their poetry and for the declaration of results



Rules:

- We are accepting only Pantoums. Any other would not be evaluated further.
- Please send entries only in English.
- Plagiarised pieces will be disqualified.
- No discriminatory or hateful content.
- Previously published pieces are not allowed.
- Only one entry is allowed per participant.
- Deadline to submit the entry: 17th February 2025, 11:59 pm
- Round 2 for shortlisted participants will happen in situ at the JMC Campus on 20th February 2025.
- No entries will be accepted post the deadline, and no extension will be given.
- The shortlisted participants need to participate in both rounds to be qualified and will be judged on the basis of both submissions and elocution.
- Winning entries will be given exciting prizes and a feature in Cauldron's Official Blog or Magazine Dimensions.

Scan the QR Code to submit your entry!



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