



Under the Bough

This nature poetry contest is sponsored by the Woodbury Public Library and Dietrich Gardens . All poems will be judged by Woodbury's Poet Laureate, Sandy Carlson.

Who: Open to all Region 14 students in all grades

What: Write an original poem about nature; any style of poetry is acceptable. If you are in grades K-5, give it to your teacher.

If you are in grades 6-12, submit it digitally through this [Google Form](#).

If your poem is too long or contains visuals, you can submit it to either Dr. South at WMS or Mrs. Heller at NHS. (Can't find them or don't know them, bring it to the office to put in their mailbox. Be sure your name is on it.)

When: The deadline for submission is April 6.

Winners will be announced and prizes will be awarded at the Tree Dedication on April 23 at 1:00 PM at Woodbury's North Green. The winning poets will also read their work.

Jamaican poem about nature



Nature by H.D. Carberry

We have neither Summer nor Winter

Neither Autumn nor Spring.

We have instead the days

When the gold sun shines on the lush green canefields-

Ip v frfMagnificently.

The days when the rain beats like bullet on the roofs

And there is no sound but thee swish of water in the gullies

And trees struggling in the high Jamaica winds.

Also there are the days when leaves fade from off guango trees'

And the reaped canefields lie bare and fallow to the sun.

But best of all there are the days when the mango and the logwood blossom

When bushes are full of the sound of bees and the scent of honey,

When the tall grass sways and shivers to the slightest breath of air,

When the buttercups have paved the earth with yellow stars

And beauty comes suddenly and the rains have gone