

# 2018 ANNUAL CONTEST RESULTS

## AND THE WINNERS ARE ...

### POETRY CONTEST

#### First Prize - \$500.00

Sydney Thieneman for "Grappler Inlet"

#### Second Prize - \$250.00

Andrew Lafleche for  
"it was promising, until it wasn't"

#### Third Prize - \$100.00

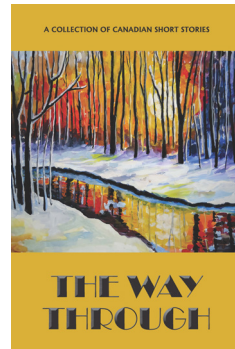
Vanessa Shields for "Thimbles and Thread"

#### Honourable Mentions

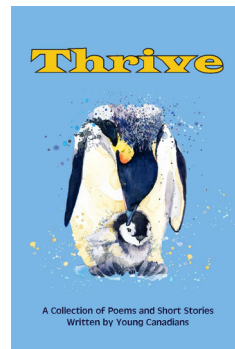
Robert Pritchard for  
"on the discovery of shells"  
Richard Grace for  
"Tree Stumps in Autumn Dusk"  
Angelica Lachance for "When I Miss You"  
Batool Rayyan for "Homeless"  
Raphaella Pavlakos for "Home"  
Nicole Abas for "Vacancy"  
Katherine S. Palakovic for "imp"  
Giuseppe Di Lonardo for "(f)loss is a luxury"  
Barbie-Jo Smith for "Choppers"  
Robyn Petrik for "Paper Cranes"



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### SHORT-STORY CONTEST

#### First Prize - \$500.00

Sadie Brummund for  
"The Silence behind the Door"

#### Second Prize - \$250.00

Ahron Balatti for "Trouble in Paradise"

#### Third Prize - \$100.00

Edward DeMarsh for "Passing Windows"

#### Honourable Mentions

Nancy Clifford for "The Girl in the Cage"  
Ashlyn Lund for  
"Stupid Trucks and Stupid Green Eyes"  
Michele Simpson for "Fishing"  
John Steckley for "Ice Sculptures"  
Mitchell Ross for "The Secret Menu"  
Katy Tearle for "Rowan and Them"  
Jena Whiteside for "The Record Player"  
Zach Keesey for "The Dealership"  
Maria CampbellSmith for "Time Will Tell"  
Anastasia Martin for "The Shipwreck"

### POETRY CONTEST for Young Writers

#### First Prize - \$200.00

Serena Habib for "I Don't Miss You"

#### Second Prize - \$100.00

Leah Symons for "Winter Slumber"

#### Third Prize - \$50.00

Brooke Scriven for  
"The Whispers of the Ballpoint"

#### Honourable Mentions

Shyree Mehta for "Terra"  
Maggie Leung for "Car Crash"  
Jonah Doupe for "Mining"  
Anisha Rajaselvam for "Crooked Mirrors"  
Sophia Yamamoto for "Ashen Peace"  
Julia Jurca for "Nature's Call"  
Daniel Wan for "Fishing Is Cursed"  
Gregory Albert Perri for "The Same Stuff"  
Andrew Yang for "Doggy Life"  
Nathan MacNamara for "Rufus"

### SHORT-STORY CONTEST for Young Writers

#### First Prize - \$200.00

Janie Zhang for "The Tsunami"

#### Second Prize - \$100.00

Eva Eusanio for "What We Will Remember"

#### Third Prize - \$50.00

Amanda Braam for "Ripple"

#### Honourable Mentions

Cara Yoon for "Hope Bubble"  
Hava Sky for "Trade Winds"  
Susane Verdes for "Empty"  
Tara Carnell for "The Good-Luck Necklace"  
Erika Howes for "All He Had Left"  
Titus Kennedy for "A Whittling Pair"  
Devon Metler for "A Boy's Best Friend"  
Tristan Balfour for "The Platform"  
Clara Tiong for "The Magical Flower"  
Ryan Li for "A Space Legend"

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