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## **For immediate release**

### **The Arts & Humanities Council Celebrates National Poetry Month with Poetry Corners**

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April is National Poetry Month. Once again, the Bainbridge Island Arts & Humanities Council will celebrate creative combinations of the written word through its Poetry Corners competition, exhibits and live poetry readings. Since 1999, Poetry Corners has showcased original poems by local poets. Posted along our everyday routes, these well-chosen words inspire us to pause, read, absorb and reflect.

Hanging throughout the island, on the windows and walls of local businesses, 39 winning poems were chosen from a pool of 113 submissions to the Poetry Corners competition. A blind jury judged the poems on the penned skill of the poet, as well as how each rhythm and rhyme stayed within this year's theme of "Mischief."

New this year, a student category features nine winning works from youth grades 4 - 12. The student poems will have a special display on the walls of Bainbridge Bakers throughout the month. "We are so pleased that Bainbridge Bakers has chosen to hang the poetry with the works of local artists," noted the Arts & Humanities Council's executive director, Barbara Sacerdote. "What a great demonstration of different expressions in and through art."

A complete listing of this year's winning poems can be found on the Arts and Humanities Council's website ([www.bainbridgeartshumanities.org](http://www.bainbridgeartshumanities.org)) or by visiting and sharing their facebook page.

On April 25<sup>th</sup>, the Arts & Humanities Council and Bainbridge Island Museum of Art will co-host Poetry Corners LIVE! Starting at 7pm, each of the winning poets will take center stage in the Museum auditorium to read and share their mischievous submissions to friends, family and the community. All poetry lovers are invited to attend.

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### **About the Bainbridge Island Arts & Humanities Council**

For more than a quarter century, the Arts & Humanities Council has nurtured the community with the programs, services, and collaborations that embody its mission: *to create an environment on Bainbridge Island in which the arts and humanities flourish*. The Arts & Humanities Council is the connector, the illuminator, and the advocate for 22 cultural organizations and scores of local artists. Annually its Arts in Education program engages 2,700 students in quality classroom residencies with regional and local artists. It awards more than \$10,000 a year to outstanding individuals of the cultural community through the Island Treasure and Amy Awards. Published quarterly, *Currents*, the Arts & Humanities Council's cultural magazine shines a spotlight on the vibrant, creative energy that defines Bainbridge.

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