



THE POETRY CENTER
AT PASSAIC COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
is pleased to announce the winners of...

THE 2023 ALLEN GINSBERG POETRY AWARDS

FIRST PRIZE

Linda Nemece Foster, Grand Rapids, MI

"When We Talk About the Movie, *Casablanca*, My
Father Remembers Every Line ..."

Caroline Russell, Jersey City, NJ

"An Ode to Mildred"

SECOND PRIZE

Lorraine Conlin, Wantagh, NY

"First Date"

Christine Rhein, Brighton, MI

"Cooking with My Sister"

THIRD PRIZE

Marcia LeBeau, South Orange, NJ

"Toward the River"

Lynne Viti, Westwood, MA

"Westwood Lodge, the Summer Hotel"

HONORABLE MENTION

Brenda Beardsley, West Chesterfield, NH

"disclosure: no disclosure"

Howard Berelson, Teaneck, NJ

"Second Hand Store"

Terry Bohnhorst Blackhawk, Hamden, CT

"My Grandfather's Fedora"

Gary Campanella, La Crescenta, CA

"Hope and Doubt in the Cancer Ward"

Mike Carlson, Brooklyn, NY

"Pamphlet on the Subject of That Which
Cannot Be Known"

Eric Chiles, Bethlehem, PA

"Wiggy"

Elizabeth Crowell, Concord, MA

"Ode to the Manor, West Orange, New Jersey"

Maria Famà, Philadelphia, PA

"7Up Summers"

Maria Giura, Staten Island, NY

"Six Years Apart"

James D. Gwyn, Clifton, NJ

"Last to Go"

Josh Humphrey, Kearny, NJ

"Uncle Sal and the Wisdom of Photographs"

Charles H. Johnson, Easton, PA

"The Jersey Devil"

Diane Khoury, Cresskill, NJ

"A Story Heard at a College Reunion"

Julian Koslow, Fair Lawn, NJ

"Just Another Drop in the Ocean of Forgetting"

Barbara Krasner, Somerset, NJ

"Milk and Honey Flows at 65 Boston Street,
Newark, 1910"

Maria Lisella, Long Island City, NY

"Even though I know what is good for me..."

Frances Lombardi-Grahl, Clifton, NJ

"Food Shopping with my Mother"

Mary Makofske, Warwick, NY

"Heavy Hands"

John H. McDermott Jr., Cranford, NJ

"Mending All"

Lynne McEniry, Morristown, NJ

"Drinking: Variations"

Greg Moglia, Hauppauge, NY

"The Woman in Me"

Lisa Coll Nicolaou, Fair Lawn, NJ

"Sisters in Time and Space"

HONORABLE MENTION (CONT'D)

Marion Paganello, Fair Lawn, NJ	"You"
Jason Craig Poole, South Orange, NJ	"Broken"
Jennifer Poteet, Montclair, NJ	"Agnes"
Wanda S. Praisner, Bedminster, NJ	"The Rocking Chair"
Maude Carolan Pych, Totowa Borough, NJ	"Sunflower Poem #16"
Robert A. Rosenbloom, Bound Brook, NJ	"A Kid's Saturday Night"
Nicole Santalucia, Chambersburg, PA	"Wife Jumps Out of Kitchen Window and Gets Trapped in Backyard"
Margaret R. Sáraco, Montclair, NJ	"Anguish"
Kenneth Silvestri, Nyack, NY	"early Sunday mornings"
David Skates, Hackensack, NJ	"Haircut"
Eileen Van Hook, Wanaque, NJ	"The Aunts"
Bill Wunder, Langhorne, PA	"Memorial Day, 2020"
Xandt Wyntreez, Montclair, NJ	"Tartan"
Sherida Yoder, North Haledon, NJ	"Lessons"
Neal Zirn, Denver, CO	"Upon Reading of the Rape of Nanking and Practicing Tai Chi Chaun"

EDITOR'S CHOICE

Charlie Brice, Pittsburgh, PA	"Toads in Bermuda"
Peter Covino, Kingston, RI	"First day of chemo"
Donna Emerson, Petaluma, CA	"Sarah Mae"
Jeanne Fleming, Warwick, NY	"Clothes Lines"
Christine Gelineau, Windsor, NY	"Migration"
Esther Harper, Maplewood, NJ	"My First Date at Sugar Reef"
Annie Rachele Lanzillotto, Yonkers, NY	"Blood Red Blues"
Jessie Lynn McMains, Racine, WI	"[Santa Muerte, I ask you to remember]"
Erin Murphy, Hollidaysburg, PA	"In Gear"
Gloria g. Murray, Deer Park, NY	"A Daughter's Tale"
Frank Niccoletti, West Orange, NJ	"Pink Belly"
Thandiwe Shiphrah, Nashville, TN	"Call and Response"
Jeff Tigchelaar, Huntington, WV	"There's a rape in the restroom of the place where I work"
Seneca Turner, Bronx, NY	"Reflections in a Time of Pandemic I Believe"
Sally Van Doren, West Cornwall, CT	"The Art of Aging"

Award Winners' Reading — February 3, 2024

The Poetry Center at Passaic County Community College,
The Hamilton Club Building, 32 Church Street, 2nd Floor, Paterson, NJ

For 2024 guidelines, visit www.poetrycenterpccc.com/awards/

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The Poetry Center strives to maintain a barrier-free facility including complete access for patrons using wheelchairs, large print materials, sign-interpreted programs and FM listening devices. Contact 973-684-6555 for availability of services.



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