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## **~ Media Advisory ~**

### **Teen Poetry Contest Winners announced at Springfield Public Library**

Springfield Public Library would like to announce the winners of the inaugural Teen Poetry Contest. The poetry contest was held in the month of April in celebration of National Poetry Month. Carter McKenzie, a local poet who works with middle school and high school students through the Young Writers Association in Eugene, judged the contest for the library.

The poems were judged in two age categories. The 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Grade Division winners are: 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Zara Hammond from Agnes Stewart Middle School; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Emma Wu Shortt from South Eugene High School; and two 3<sup>rd</sup> Place awards were given to Sam Thurman from Pleasant Hill High School and Tyler DuBell, Pleasant Hill high School. The 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Division are: 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Sydni Clayton, Pleasant Hill High School; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Brynne Webb, a home school student; and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Kory Schneider from Pleasant Hill High School. The winners received gift cards to the Duck Book Store. Congratulations to all the winners.

To read the winning poems go the Springfield Public Library Teen webpage at:  
<http://wheremindsgrow.org/teens.html>

**What:** Winners of the Teen Poetry Contest

**When:** April 30, 2013

**Where:** The Springfield Public Library

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