2020-21 Poetry Society of Tennessee Student Awards

Elementary: Judge: Whitney Brinkley Wright

1. "Houdini", Bayan Ouertani, Carroll-Oakland School, Lebanon, TN, Mrs. S. Porter

2. "Baby Goat Birth", Wyatt Erwin, Carroll-Oakland School, Lebanon, TN, Mrs. S. Porter

3. "The Animal", Molly Read, Carroll-Oakland School, Lebanon, TN, Mrs. S. Porter

4. Louella Grady, "Goodbye Friend" Carroll-Oakland School, Lebanon, TN, Mrs. S. Porter

HM: The Big Play, Bryson Taylor, Carroll-Oakland School, Lebanon, TN, Mrs. S. Porter

Junior Division: Judge: Russell H. Strauss

1. "Finally Safe, Addison Scoggins, White Station Middle School, Memphis, Karla Varriano 2. "I've Seen This, Elia Canfield, White Station Middle School, Memphis, Karla Varriano

3 "Porcelain Moon" Lily Read, Carroll-Oakland School, Lebanon, Mrs Porter

4. "The Page" Ashley Phillips White Station Middle School, Memphis, Karla Varriano honorable mentions

"Tears of Tyranny" Savannah Solomon, West Wilson Middle School, Mt Juliet, Cheryle Scudder

"Test Day" Amy Yu, White Station Middle School, Memphis, Karla Varriano

""The Chair" Laine Thorne , Carroll-Oakland School, Lebanon, Mrs Porter

citations

"The Oasis"Naveen Jestice, Center for Creative Arts, Chattanooga, Sandra Howard "Online School" Jacqueline Wilson, White Station Middle, Karla Varriano Forever, Ginny Feng, White Station Middle School, Memphis, Renee Cole Good Food, Aurelia Cathey, SDMS, Knoxville, Jeff Bromme

Senior Division: Judge: Russell H. Strauss

1. "Garden Hose" Zoe Pendleton, Sullivan Central High, Blountville, TN, Seth Grindstaff

2. "I Am Still a Black Woman: Skyelar LeCounte, Germantown High, Elizabeth Stuart

3 "Memory Maelstrom" Jerry Xiao, Memphis University School, Thompson

4. "The Paper Heart" Jade Garcia, , Sullivan Central High, Blountville, TN, Seth Grindstaff **honorable mentions:**

"It's Boring" Christina Tran, Germantown High, Elizabeth Stuart

"The Hair Tie" Emalyne Hubbard , Sullivan Central High, Blountville, TN, Seth Grindstaff citations

"Letter to Red Pond": Marissa Liu, Colllierville High, May

"Hammering Through Life Like Hamlin" Brandon Nunley, Sullivan Central High, Blountville, TN, Seth Grindstaff

Eyepoems: Judge: Whitney Brinkley Wright

Middle School

- 1. This is the, Kelsey Franklin, White Station Middle, Karla Varriano
- 2. Conspiracy, Lei'lah Stocklin, White Station Middle, Karla Varriano
- 3. in, Aylla Wexler, White Station Middle, Karla Varriano
- 4. United we stand, Jamaya Simpson, Colonial Middle, Mrs. Amber Smith

HM The way we have been hurt, Lylian Crue, Colonial Middle, Mrs. Amber Smith

High School

- 1. See, Triniti Holliday, Germantown High, Mrs. Elizabeth Stuart
- 2. We eat, Khoinam Nguyen, Germantown High, Elizabeth Stuart
- 3. The, David Montoya, Germantown High, Elizabeth Stuart