

First Place, Youth Category

Nightmare of The Fox

I don't know what to do
I can't tell what's real
and what's not

I think I fell down the hole of the fox
and the way out is locked

Strands of hair scatter around me
but I can't tell which are mine

I hear crunching under my feet
why did the forest betray me

Suffocating dust floats down
the walls hard, like a casket

Something is coming!
but there's no further to go

My nose twitches
at the stench of my own fear

Speed now useless
in this shallow grave

- **Isabella Grace P**

Second Place, Youth Category

JOURNEY

I look at the tree

I press my hand against cold bark

Turn around and see a lilac tree

Since when is that there?

Last year it wasn't

Has it been that long?

I look at it

And see a whole journey

Wind

Sunshine

Rain

And now this

Smell the lilacs

And long for home

It smells nice

And that's all I can say

- **Josephine Bassetti**

Third Place, Youth Category

Great
River
On
Woodlin Drive.

Nothing is greater
than to see plants thrive.

So please bring some joy
to my road.

It would be wonderful
to see plants grow
on my road.

On top of that hill,
working so hard
to grow.

Some plants need your help
So please help them **GROW**.

- **TJ Kienast**