Contest Results

**Best of the Fest**: LINES by Tommy Little

### Category 1 Mississippi Poetry Society 2019 award

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<td>Mississippi Cruisin’</td>
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<td>Oh, To Mississippi You’ll Go!</td>
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Category 6  Wildlife of Mississippi Award
1st place  Twilight in the garden by John B. Jolly
2nd place  To Grill a Mockingbird by Barbara Blanks
3rd place  Mother Bluebird by Daniel Pickett
HM1  Jewel bush by Emory D. Jones
HM 2  Night visitor by Von S. Bourland
HM3  It’s a wildlife by Philip L. Levin

Category 7  Power of Music Award
1st place  My Sunshine by Philip L. Levin
2nd place  My Favorite by Linda Watson Owen
3rd place  Reciting favorite lyrics by Ann Carolyn Cates
HM1  thank you for the music by Briana Fae Brown
HM2  Flying high at Vance AFB by Barbara Blanks
HM3  Heart break blessing by John B. Jolly

Category 8  Winklebleck Choice Award
1st place  Lines by Tommy Little
2nd place  Spirit of Gossamer by Terry Jude Miller
3rd place  Helpful by Sarah E. Morin
HM1  All in the slant by Catherine Moran
HM2  A play about Henry--and the sequel by Mark Hudson
HM3  to Don or Not to ...Whoops! by Von S. Bourland

Category 9  Villanelle Award
1st place  Summer Evening by Daniel Pickett
2nd place  Love Beyond the Realms of Time by Sara Gipson
3rd place  Wishing Til Morning’s Early Light by Von S. Bourland
HM1  Final Conversation With Goldie by Jeanne S. Kelly
HM2  Crossword Consternation by LaVern Spenser McCarthy
HM3  Circular Motion by Jerri Hardesty

Category 10  Grands Award
1st place  Sea Fairies by Doris Jones
2nd place  My Grandpa's Woodpile by Nick Sweet
3rd place  Just Us Boys by Steven Leitch
HM1  Grandpa's New Life by LaVern Spencer McCarthy
HM2  I Want to Be a Pharmacist Too by Barbara Blanks
HM3  Thrown Bones by Terry Jude Miller

Category 11  Helen Kressmann Taylor Award
1st place  Where Have All the Fireflies Gone? by Linda Watson Owen
2nd place  Sonnet of the Gift of Creation by Brenda Brown Finnegan
3rd place  The Bird Watchers by Philip Levin
HM1  Plastic Pollution Solution by Ann Carolyn Cates
HM2  Bequeaths for Beauty and Bounty by Sara Gipson
HM3  Deepwater Horizon Trilogy by Tommy Little

**Category 12**  **Doctor’s Dream Award**
1st place  Missing Things by Stephen Curry
2nd place  Friday by Daniel Pickett
3rd place  Medical Stuff by Ann Carolyn Cates
HM1  Forfeiting Time by Sara Gipson
HM2  The Manic Thought (Without Medical Care) by Faith Garbin
HM3  Hospital Food by Sarah E. Morin

**Category 13**  **The Ruth F. Richmond Award**
1st place  A Circle of My Own by Catherine Moran
2nd place  Evangelist at a Tree Stump by Jeanne S. Kelly
3rd place  Limbs and Stumps by Ann Carolyn Cates
HM1  Standing Tall by Linda Watson Owen
HM2  The Prayer Tree by Daniel Pickett
HM3  Stumps by Stephen Curry

**Category 14**  **Narrative Poem Award**
1st place  Do Human Resources Policies Apply? by Sarah E. Morin
2nd place  King David's Remorse by Elaine McDermott
3rd place  The Things I Saved by Catherine Moran
HM1  The Tale of Nate and Sam by LaVern Spencer McCarthy
HM2  From Afar by Jerri Hardesty
HM3  Her Last Breath by Philip L. Levin

**Category 15**  **The Don Barrett Award**
1st place  Winter’s Grace by Andy Oldham
2nd place  Old Age by Tommy Little
3rd place  Stranded by Catherine Moran
HM1  Ocean by Faith Garbin
HM2  Mortality by Terry Jude Miller
HM3  Lost Dreams by John Jolly
HM4  The River by Sue Vanderberg

**Category 16**  **Barron and Dessie Caulfield Award**
1st place  Christmasized by Steven Leitch
2nd place  Slash and Trash by Linda Owen
3rd place  The Red Sweater by Daniel Pickett
HM1  Corner the Market by Doris Jones
HM2  Home Invasion by Ann Carolyn Cates
HM3  Eating by Beth Staas
Category 17  R. L. Dennis Memorial Award
1st place  On Suzy’s Tombstone by Brenda Brown Finnegan
2nd place  Melting Point by Barbara Blanks
3rd place  This Oak Is No Joke by Ann Carolyn Cates
HM1       Artist Given to Drink by Gail Denham
HM2       Poet Limerick by Dr. Emory D. Jones
HM3       Flicker by Jerri Hardesty

Category 18  Past Presidents’ Award
1st place  A Rose in Heaven by LaVern Spencer McCarthy
2nd place  Memorable Transplants by Grace Fletcher
3rd place  Table for One by Doris Jones
HM1       Air Apparent by Barbara Blanks
HM2       Life Change by Philip Levin
HM3       They Carried Their Hearts by Gail Denham