



**TANKA/  
Blossoming fruit trees**

## **THIRD PRIZE SPRING TANKA 2013**

**Andrei Patras, Romania**

Cut cherry branches  
budding for a while and weep  
their sap in vain -  
forgotten loves try to call  
the memories as heralds

**Odrezane grančice trešnje  
pupaju nakratko i plaču  
njihov sok uzaludan-  
zaboravljene ljubavi dozivaju  
uspomene kao glasnike**

人がへさず暮れむの春の  
宵ごこち小琴うにも  
たす亂れ亂れ髪友

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