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HAIKU:

pulling her to places
she has never been
the sound of the train

Winner
Setouchi Matsuyama Photo Haiku Contest2012

after the storm
a drifting boat
catches the moon

Winner
Dottie Dot Awards, September 2012

the flower
behind my ear . . .
our first conversation

Winner
The Collaborative Photo-Haiku Project 2012

passing clouds
scent of honeysuckle
in a crow's wings

3rd place
Svetlana Marisova Memorial Kukai 2012

fallen leaves
raking memories
from old photographs

Semifinalist
ITO EN North America New Haiku Grand Prix 2011

fall leaves
still touching each other
our clothes in the closet

Honorable Mention
Ukiah Haiku Festival 2016

new moon—
changing the photo
inside her heart locket

Honorable Mention
KajiAso Studio's International Haiku Contest 2012

shifting tides
she now sings
her mother's lullaby

Commended
The IAFOR Vladimir Devede Haiku Award, 2015

yard sale
a yoyo unwinds
a string of memories

Frogpond (Winter 2012)

mimosa leaf
how a touch feels
when it isn't you

Frozen Butterfly First issue (2014)

TANKA:

his stand
on chemotherapy . . .
a bluebird's cry
nestles in the palm
of sunrise

First place
Annual Tanka Contest 2015

more stinkbugs
sneaking their way
into the cabbage field
I should have smelled
something wasn't right

2nd place

DiogenTanka Contest 2013

only remembering
how he loved me . . .
in a clear brook
white clouds gather
in my hands

Honorable Mention

Tanka Society of America International Tanka Contest 2014

a woman carries her child
through a flooded street . . .
my heart sinks
as a branch hangs heavily
from a dying tree

Moonbathing Issue 9 (Fall/Winter 2013)

the many Christmas eves
my father left for
another home
I'm not surprised to see
flowers on his grave

Skylark (Summer 2013)

pink sky . . .
under the canopy
of cherry blossoms
just my heartbeat
and you

Hedgerow #55 (2015)

will you
hold my heart
with tenderness . . .
from your hand to mine
a feather in the park

Cattails (January 2016)

how to fill
the empty spaces
of my heart . . .
rearranging the furniture
for the nth time

Red Lights Vol 12, No. 1 (January 2016)

succulents
planted in muffin tins
I find some solace
in a place where I can start
dreaming small

Sonic Boom Issue 3 (2016)