

Shortlisted

Poet's name	Age	Poem	School
Lower Primary (Years K-3)			
Elysia Roselle Woo	4	The Winding Road	St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Wooli Creek NSW
Elysia Roselle Woo	4	The Goldfish	St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Wooli Creek NSW
Mrs Wiggins, Menadue & Denman	5	As Warm as Porridge	Fahan School, Lower Sandy Bay NSW
Upper Primary (Years 4 – 6 & 7 in SA)			
Waverly Hagland	9	Anaconda	Queenwood, Mosman NSW
Felix Liu	11	Sonnet of the Underground Warriors	Matthew Pearce Public School, West Pennant Hills NSW
Sethmi Perera	12	John's Journey	Caulfield Grammar School, Wheelers Hill VIC
Leda Zakaria	10	Indonesia	Islington Public School, Islington NSW
Assisted Learning Primary			
Reyansh Patel	10	The Road Train	Griffith Public School, Griffith NSW
Kurrumbede Award Primary			
Chloe Rankmore	12	Autumn Leaves	Tamworth Public School, Tamworth NSW
Eleanor Schipanski	7	Night Sky	Tamworth Public School, Tamworth NSW

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David Maher Award Primary			
Dolly Honan	5	The Bowling Soldiers	Urbenville Public School, Urbenville NSW
Junior Secondary (Years 7-9)			
Joshua Gordon	12	Twinkling Sky	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Maddie Harrington	14	Nice to a Fault	Gleneagles Secondary College, Endeavour Hills VIC
Lacey Hemmens	13	Love is a Recipe	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Oliver Johnson	14	Water is My Culture, Water is My Potential	Edmund Rice College, Wollongong NSW
Jaxson McGaw	12	A Journey Through Time	Chifley College Shalvey Campus, Shalvey NSW
Heath O'Halloran	13	Old Man	St Johns College, Dubbo NSW
Cameron Parsons	12	A Winding Road to Recovery	St Gregory's College, Gregory Hills NSW
Isabel Raffoul	13	Some Manner of Small Native Dog	Arden Anglican School, North Rocks NSW
Angelina Singh	14	Astronomical Romance	Parramatta High School, Parramatta NSW
Alex Zhang	14	Corruption	Trinity Grammar School, Mont Albert North VIC
Senior Secondary (Years 10-12)			
Emma Chambers	17	All of You	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Erin Coull	17	I Run, Through Words, Away from Love	Launceston College, Launceston TAS

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Ella Croker	16	Dark Blue	Hobart College, Mt Nelson TAS
Leo den Elzen	17	Mary	Trinity Grammar School, Mont Albert North VIC
Chloe Lam	16	Supernova	Individual Entry
Zara Perry	17	Meant	Ravenswood School for Girls, Gordon NSW
Kate Strickland	16	We Misjudged Icarus	Donvale Christian College, Donvale VIC
McKayla Tan	16	Folksong	Ravenswood School for Girls, Gordon NSW
Xanthia-Grace Thomas-Carlsen	17	My Country	Elizabeth Macarthur High School, Narellan Vale NSW
Lily Ward	17	The Mare and Her Stars	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Archie Yarrow	17	An Hourglass	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS

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Lower Primary (Years K-3)			
Olivia Chen	11	The Paintings	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
Chloe Cornish	6	Sunset Colours	Ascham, Edgecliff NSW
Parker Nanayakkara	5	A Broken Strawberry	Christ Church Grammar School, South Yarra VIC
Jivtash Singh	8	Spark! Spark!	Oxley Christian College, Chirnside Park VIC
Madison Walker	13	Winter Sonnet	Darwin Middle School, The Gardens NT
Upper Primary (Years 4-6 + 7 in SA)			
Waverly Hagland	9	Nits	Queenwood, Mosman NSW
Philip Huynh	9	Loyal Larrikin	Point Clare Public School, Point Clare NSW
Rachael Lambert	10	Golden Wattle	Home schooled, West Mackay QLD
Sayre McCabe	9	Tyto Alba	Child Side School, Boyanup WA
Georgia Perry	12	Home	Kongwak, VIC
Meimei Valmorbida	10	Cherry Blossom	Christ Church Grammar School, South Yarra VIC
Kurrumbede Award Primary			
Henry Harvey	12	Autumn Leaves	Tamworth Public School, Tamworth NSW
Samantha Jones	7	Beware of the Magpies!	Tamworth Public School, Tamworth NSW

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Oliver Munro	9	The Winding Road	Tamworth Public School, Tamworth NSW
James Pooley	8	The Sun	Gunnedah South Public School, Gunnedah NSW
David Maher Award Primary			
Charlie Hand	9	Daring!	Currabubula Public School, Currabubula NSW
Junior Secondary (Years 7-9)			
Gehna Ammangi	13	Everyone Counting to Me	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
Mabel Barrie	12	Sadness	Darwin Middle School, The Gardens NT
Max Berthold	12	I want to be a Book	Finigan School of Distance Education, Tura Beach NSW
Max Berthold	12	Mums Lasagne	Finigan School of Distance Education, Tura Beach NSW
Allegra Clarke	11	New Beginnings	All Saints Anglican School, Merrimac QLD
Billy Corkhill	13	A Day in the Life of	St Gregory's College, Gregory Hills NSW
Lucius Crick	15	A Flame of Hope	St Philip's Christian College, Waratah NSW
Alina Denis	13	I've Been the Hardest to Love	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Ashley Diec	13	A Word Beyond Our Own	SCEGGS, Darlinghurst NSW
Maya Galluccio	13	Green	Seymour College, Glen Osmond SA
Christiano Haddad	14	Echoes of Ancestral Song	Edmund Rice College, West Wollongong NSW
Lucy Hall	13	Celestial Tapestry	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Christopher Herbert	15	I'm Australian	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW

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Alfred Hutton	14	Swimming	Edmund Rice College, West Wollongong NSW
Maha Jawad	13	A Poem for Iraq	Liverpool Girls High School, Liverpool NSW
Xavier Kennedy		Shining Just for You	St Philip's Christian College, Waratah NSW
Arjumand Khan	13	Awakening Unity	Darwin Middle School, The Gardens NT
Harrison Macdonald	15	Boom!	Edmund Rice College, West Wollongong NSW
Shraddha Makkar	13	Where I'm From	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Amelia Mason	13	What's that Smell	Glenaeon Rudolf Steiner School, Middle Cove NSW
Shlok Mehta	13	Survivors of War	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
Tanay Ram	14	One Year Later....	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
Toby Roots	13	Home is Where the Heart is	St Gregory's College, Gregory Hills NSW
Akshitha Sai Praveen Kumar	14	The Winding Road	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
Lucy Tazawa	14	The Long and Winding Road to Hell	Lakes Grammar an Anglican School, Warnervale NSW
Samara Thapa	12	Shadow	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
Ethan Ton	13	Đàn Tranh (The Viet Zither)	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Diana Tsoi	13	They can Overreact	Willoughby Girls High School, Willoughby NSW
Andrew Welch	14	Celestial Serenade	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Hwee-Lin Yee Yee	14	Sound of Silence	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS

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Senior Secondary (Years 10-12)			
Pany Androu	16	Wombat	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Aisha Bissett	17	There are Things in my Wall	Hobart College, Mt Nelson TAS
Amelie Brown	15	The Silent Fight	Northern Beaches Secondary College, Manly Vale NSW
Nicholas Chi	15	The Kimberley is Home	Scotch College, Swanbourne ACT
Emma Clarke	16	I am Strong but I Shouldn't have to be yet	CIRE Berwick, Mount Waverley VIC
Indy Cooper	17	A City Without People	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Lars Emery	15	We are the Youth	Concord High School, Concord NSW
Henry Feutrill	17	Cruet World	Scotch College, Swanbourne ACT
Oliver Fowler	17	Unchanging, Frozen in Time	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Richard Gamble	15	New Danger	Scotch College, Swanbourne ACT
Zoe Gee	16	The Ruby Saltbush	Wycliffe Christian School, Warrimoo NSW
Sophie Halliwell	18	Mandarin Season	Hobart College, Mt Nelson TAS
Lily Hodgman	17	Webs of Language	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Keegan Jacobs	16	Then and Now	Launceston College, Launceston TAS
Amber Johnston	18	Stealing	Kilvington Grammar, Ormond VIC
Amber Johnston	18	Learning to Place a Stamp	Kilvington Grammar, Ormond VIC

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Joanna Johnston	16	The Fall (inspired by Macbeth)	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart VIC
Samia Kalaban	16	Lebanon	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart VIC
Lily Kay	11	The False Finish Line	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart VIC
Bailey Kirk	15	Crossing the Rubicon	Bremer State High School, Ipswich QLD
Chloe Lam	16	The Edge of the World	Individual entry, NSW
Eauri Leonard	17	A Tasmania Vallanelle	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
John McGinniss	15	The Farm	Scotch College, Swanbourne ACT
Jasmine Phan	17	Small Magick	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Jasmine Phan	17	Pluripotent	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Connor Pleasance	17	Atlas	Tyndale Christian School, Salisbury East SA
Aimee Pownall	17	I'm Home	Coburg High School, Coburg VIC
Evalyn Yu-Lin Tai	16	In the Autumn Mist	Donvale Christian College, Donvale VIC
Gemma Willis	16	Vacancy	Northern Beaches Secondary College, Manly Vale NSW
Grace Winspear	16	Mosquitoes	The Friends' School, North Hobart TAS
Kurrumbede Award Secondary			
Lily Cooper	14	Fishing	Gunnedah High School, Gunnedah NSW

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Maximus Hayward	6	Sounds like Woof, Woof	Hawkesbury Independent School, Kurrajong NSW
Jake Hurley	6	I Love Screens	Home schooled, Broken Hill NSW
Charmaine Lewis	11	Hurdles	St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Kununurra WA
Sophie Liao	9	Sunflowers	Fahan School, Lower Sandy Bay TAS
Leah Scott	7	The Little Snow Fox	Methodist Ladies' College, Claremont WA
Hayley Siow	9	Little Seed	St Mary's Primary School, Malvern East VIC
Ralph van Voskuilen	13	Crocodiles	Darwin Middle School, The Gardens NT
Piers Volaris	8	The Winding Road to Tamborine Mountain	Melbourne Grammar School – Grimwade House, Caulfield VIC
Niko White	9	DJ	St Mary's Primary School, Malvern East VIC
Upper Primary (Years 4-6 + 7 in SA)			
India Coates	11	Forever and for Always	Melbourne Girls Grammar, South Yarra VIC
Harper Handelsmann	9	Rollercoasters	Ascham, Edgecliff NSW
Isabella Hoad	11	Being	Ferny Hills State School, Ferny Hills QLD
Oona Lloyd	10	AFL	Islington Public School, Islington NSW
Will Sandow	12	Mustering	Hay Public School, Hay NSW

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Freya Scanlon	10	The Wolf	Queenwood, Mosman NSW
Aleea Sym	11	Surfing	St Mary's Anglican Girls' School, Karrinyup WA
Peiyan Zhang	12	The Wind is a Lost Cat	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
Assisted Learning Primary			
Justin Cannon	9	Tasmanian Devil	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
Aaron Li	10	See the Bug	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
Lester Li	8	Penguins	Redeemer Baptist School, North Parramatta NSW
David Maher Award Primary			
Faith Sheargold	11	The Climb	Urbenville Public School, Urbenville NSW
Kurumbede Award Primary			
Stella Geddes	8	Summer Cicadas	Gunnedah South Public School, Gunnedah NSW
Sofia Weekes	8	Thunderstorm	Tamworth Public School, Tamworth NSW
Connor Woodger	7	Storms	Gunnedah South Public School, Gunnedah NSW
Junior Secondary (Years 7-9)			
Max Askin	14	Tarantula	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Tasmin Barrett	12	The Ink Pot Cat	Peregrine, Nicholls Rivulet TAS
Cameron Browning	15	True Intentions Disguised	Clarence High School, Howrah TAS
Maya Chovancak	12	Untitled	North Sydney Girls High School, Crows Nest NSW

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Alice Cowley	14	The Woodpecker	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Nina Davidson	12	Green and Me	Fahan School, Sandy Bay TAS
Sian Davis	14	Charlie's Egg	Catholic College, Wodonga VIC
Oliver Hasham	15	Gifts Hidden in Disguise	Edmund Rice College, Dubbo NSW
Joseph Hianjuku	13	Old Tree	St Johns College, Dubbo NSW
Summer Houston	14	50 Years Time	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Evie Imberger	13	Gratitude	Fahan School, Sandy Bay TAS
Alex Lister	14	Homeless	East Loddon P-12 College, Dingee VIC
Alex Lister	14	Night	East Loddon P-12 College, Dingee VIC
Sonny Lockett	14	This is My History	Edmund Rice College, West Wollongong NSW
Dean Margaritis	14	Poppies	St Gregory's College, Gregory Hills NSW
Mara McGavern	-	Life of a Child Athlete	St Philip's Christian College, Waratah NSW
Zoe Mehanni	11	The Sounds of the Birds	St Philip's Christian College, Waratah NSW
Henry Miller-Heinze	13	Mr Swagman	Padua College, Mornington VIC
Dominic Palmani	13	Guitar	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Asher Percival	14	The Over Thinker	Edmund Rice College, West Wollongong NSW
Annika Pretorious	15	Amidst the Fields	Central West Leadership Academy, Dubbo NSW
Holly Ransom	13	Old Library	St Johns College, Dubbo NSW

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Ava Rudkins	13	The Forest Cathedral	East Loddon P-12 College, Dingee VIC
Daniel Shirley	12	Saga of the Scottish: the Battle of Bannockburn	St Philip's Christian College, Waratah NSW
Ethan Ton	13	Eternal Darkness	St Thomas More College, Sunnybank QLD
Anna Xue	13	One Leap	Ravenswood School for Girls, Gordon NSW
Christian Yeo	14	I am Man	Edmund Rice College, West Wollongong NSW
Senior Secondary (Years 10-12)			
Orion Addicoat	18	Labours of Love	Launceston College, Launceston TAS
Emily Bleasel	12	Hope	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Shae Brown	15	Hotel Earth	Scotch College, Swanbourne ACT
Jocelyn Chung	16	Ode to Bullying	Donvale Christian College, Donvale VIC
Emma Clarke	16	Run Faster than I Ever Ran	CIRE Berwick, Mount Waverley VIC
Jeremy Corfield	18	They all Die Heroes	Launceston College, Launceston TAS
Val Davies	15	Rise of Machines, The Fall of Nature	Scotch College, Swanbourne ACT
Olive Derham	16	Possu	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Andrew Ellis	17	The Light in the Dark	Scotch College, Swanbourne ACT
Ella Freedman	18	Black and Yellow	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS

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Bella Hallett	16	Shearing Shed	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Mia Healy	17	Granddad's Last Steps	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Jiya Jamu	16	Semblance	MacKillop College, Port Macquarie NSW
Joanna Johnson	16	The Winding Road	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Amber Johnston	18	Red	Kilvington Grammar, Ormond VIC
Natasha Maher	15	Mountain's Stubble	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Thomas Mengler	16	The Road Home	Scotch College, Swanbourne ACT
Rachel Meyers	16	Why did you have to Leave?	Donvale Christian College, Donvale VIC
Arianne Monteiro	16	The Imperfect Fragments of Diversity	Our Lady of Mercy College, Parramatta NSW
Jennifer Nguyen	15	Monopoly	Queensland Academy for Creative Industries, Kelvin Grove QLD
Hayden O'Rourke	18	Broken Family	Toomina High School, Toomina NSW
Hayden O'Rourke	18	Three Little Words	Toomina High School, Toomina NSW
Shiloh Quilliam	15	Powerless	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Zayden Rumsey	15	Growth	Queensland Academy for Creative Industries, Kelvin Grove QLD
Louis Shuchang	16	Mid-Autumn Festival	Scotch College, Swanbourne ACT
Oliver Vincent	15	The Army	Queensland Academy for Creative Industries, Kelvin Grove QLD
Lily Ward	17	I Promise	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS

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Georgina Ward	16	Red Moscow	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Skylah Weissel	18	A Seagull in the City	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS
Grace Winspear	16	The Last Wave	The Friends' School, North Hobart TAS
Adrian Zechendorf	17	They Will Remain	St Michael's Collegiate, Hobart TAS