

Saratoga Loves

Poetry

A poetry contest for students in grades kindergarten through 12 who live or attend school in Saratoga!

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Grades 3 - 5



About the Author:

Charlotte Qin is a nine-year old fourth grader who attends Saint Andrew's Episcopal School in Saratoga. She lives with her mom Luna, dad Haolan, and two bunnies Jasper and Clover in San Jose. She enjoys reading, writing, going to school, and playing with her bunnies. She won the first place in a U.S. Open Music Competition piano contest when she was eight years old. Her favorite books are the Harry Potter series. She loves all animals especially bunnies and red foxes. Her favorite color is turquoise. A fun fact about her is that she is a lefty.

Poem:

When Autumn Falls...

I see leaves of amber, gold, and scarlet dancing in the wind and greeting each other in the air.

I hear birds singing with sweet voices like angels, and squirrels scurrying around, finding food for hibernation.

I taste the yummy, crunchy, and sweet apples from the farms, which gives me energy to play with my bunny.

I smell the roasted and savory pumpkin seeds when they just come out of the oven.

I feel the crisp, cool wind against my skin brushing my hair gently and making me feel calm.

About the Poem:

Nature inspired me. There are two trees in front of our house. Every autumn, they turn into beautiful colors of mahogany and amber. Since we have fruit trees in our backyard, squirrels often come here to feast and play. My bunnies taught me so much about love and life. I love my mom's cooking. She makes the best roasted pumpkin seeds. When I go outside, I like to feel gentle breezes. They remind me of my bunnies' fur sliding beneath my fingers.