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Announcements

Notable Works' Call for Poetry

"Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul – and sings the tunes without the words – and never stops at all."

...Emily Dickerson

The theme of Notable Works' next publication project will be:

"Discovery, Awakening, Re-discovery and Re-Awakening."

Please send your original poetry submission(s) to noreeninglesi@cox.net or Notable Works Publication PO Box 8122 Cranston, RI 02920

Environment Council of RI (ECRI) Annual meeting on line Monday, June 7, 2021 at 5:30 PM

The theme this year is Celebrating 50 years of ECRI and looking to the future.

(Please click the link below to register)

<https://www.environmentcouncilri.org/content/celebrating-50-years-ecri>

Providence Stormwater Innovation Center to Host Rain Harvest Arts Festival A Community Celebration of Water, Science, and Art

Roger Williams Park, 1000 Elmwood Avenue, Providence, RI

June 12, 2021; 2:00 to 6:00 pm

(Rain date: June 13, 2021)

Festival Information at Boathouse Lawn

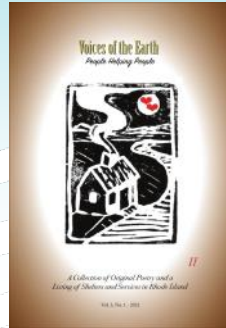
Free and Open to the Public

For more information and a schedule of events visit:

<https://www.stormwaterinnovation.org/rainharvestartsfestival>



Poet, Sussy Santana



Love Warms the Homeless Heart II

Edited by Noreen Inglesi, and designed and illustrated by Mary Ann Rossoni of Second Story Graphics, is a collection of original poetry and a listing of shelters and services in the state of Rhode Island. This book, which includes an introduction by Angelina Denomme, Communication and Engagement Coordinator, RI Coalition for the Homeless

www.rihomeless.org, addresses the issues of homelessness and domestic violence while focusing on the strength and resilience of the human spirit.

Now available at local bookstores (see list on back) and

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Thank you!
Chief Richard Ramsay,
Executive Director of
Rhode Island Police Chiefs' Association
and
Chief Richard Susi, Executive Director of
Rhode Island Fire Chiefs' Association



Notable Works is proud to be able to provide complimentary copies of Love Warms the Homeless Heart II to all 76 Fire Departments and 48 Police Departments in Rhode Island as well as the poets and social service agencies, who were included in this publication. Our thanks go out to Notable Works' wonderful sponsors, Rhode Island State Council on the Arts and the Helen Hudson Foundation for making this possible. It is the hope of our organization that the resources and poetry included in this book, will prove to be a helpful guide and support to the communities throughout the state of Rhode Island.

Near Boston Common, St. John's, Bowdoin Street

(Sample of Poetry from Love Warms the Homeless Heart II)

Tuesday night early,
chatter filled a hall way,
one familiar voice found another –
street friends knew the drill.

Lines worked around tables, courteous
words filled the room,
plates held out, portions dipped,
steaming kettles, tuna casserole, mixed salad,
cake, ice cream, nothing gourmet.

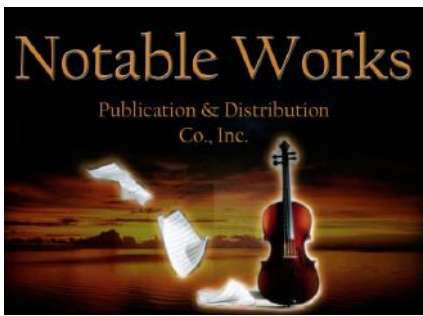
Tuesday safe hour, warmth
an encouraging word from a local
named Jack who loved the guests
told news, police, mayoral,
then jokes, housing, other free options.

Later, in the chapel, many asked,
"Rev, is it OK if I come
in?" Books were passed around,
some familiar hymn is sung, *What a Friend
We Have in Jesus*, their prayers overwhelm
they hoped
or knew they had that Friend.

In the carved chapel, hard wooden
benches, psalms are read, bread and wine
shared, prayers, erupt, confessions in harsh life,
some murmured of broken bonds, choices.

After blessings, they're back
though familiar halls to shelter,
night on benches, in doorways.

By Juliana Anderson



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The Forest Stands Tall and Steady

(Sample of Poetry from Voices of the Earth: The Future of Our Planet II)

The forest stands tall and steady
Light pouring through the canopy
Through the leaves and branches
The forest is illuminated in warmth
Plants sprout, saplings prosper
Redwood red as the sun sets
Vibrant life in the ecosystem
Fostering diversity and biological prowess
All is well in the scene
All is well among the trees

The forest glows a little dimmer
Tall broad sturdy trees block out the sun
The underbrush is thick and overgrown
Spirals of vine come down
Encroaching ivy scale the sides of the towers
Snapped of moisture, the scene is dry
Dark is the forest floor
When the fog rolls in, the forest is tense
We are lost trying to be found
It is suffocating

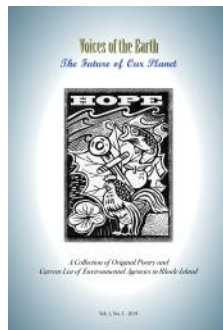
The forest crackles into a blaze
Fiery flames lick the trees under stress
It is alive and tearing into the world
Heat unbearable as it closes in
The animals have long since fled
What is caught is burned away
Pillowing smoke creates bleak haze
Destruction it consumes there is no room
No room to hide strip it all away
Our world is burning today

The forest stands and mourns in
silence
Smells of charred wood
Smoke wisps into the air
It is still hot
Dead branches mangled over fallen
trees
Is it still a forest?
Quiet
All the tension is gone
Everything is still
Everything is at rest

The forest waits patiently
Left alone to itself for the first time
What will it do next
What wonders are to come
Sprouts stem from the soil
Insects big and small resume their
activity
A squirrel curiously digs around in the
dirt
Water begins to trickle into a stream
Yes, life is resilient it finds a way
It always finds a way

The forest stands tall and steady

By Jed Lee



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Mary Ann Rossoni,

Of Second Story Graphics (Pictured in Photo)

And

*All Contributing Poets, Angelina Denomme of
the RI Coalition of the Homeless and
RI Social Service Agencies*

