

Poetry Resources

Poetry Books of 2007 (a fairly complete but not exhaustive list)

- Alexander, Elizabeth & Marilyn Nelson. **Miss Crandall's School For Young Ladies & Little Misses Of Color**/Boyd's Mills
- Ed/ Andronik, Catherine M. **Wildly Romantic; The English Romantic Poets; The Mad, The Bad And The Dangerous**/Holt
- Bagert, Brod. **Shout!; Little Poems That Roar**/Dial
- Clements, Andrew. **Dogku**/Simon & Schuster
- Crawley, Dave. **Dog Poems**/Boyd's Mills
- Crisler, Curtis L. **Tough Boy Sonatas**/Wordsong
- Fisher, Aileen. **Do Rabbits Have Christmas**/Holt
- Florian, Douglas. **Comets, Stars, The Moon, And Mars**/Harcourt
- Forbes, Robert L. **Beastly Feasts! A Mischievous Menagerie In Rhyme**/Overlook Duckworth
- Frank, John. **How To Catch A Fish**/Roaring Brook Press
- Grandits, John. **Blue Lipstick: Concrete Poems**/Clarion
- Grimes, Nikki. **When Gorilla Goes Walking**/Orchard
- Gutman, Dan. **Casey Back At The Bat**/Harper
- Harrison, David. **Bugs: Poems About Creeping Things**/Wordsong
- Hemphill, Stephanie. **Your Own Sylvia; A Verse Portrait Of Sylvia Plath**/Knopf
- Ed./ Hopkins, Lee Bennett/Behind The Museum Door/Abrams
- Ed/Janeczko, Paul/Hey, You! Poems To Skyscrapers, Mosquitos, And Other Fun Things/Harpercollins
- Katz, Bobbi. **Trailblazers; Poems Of Explorers**/Greenwillow
- Katz, Susan. **Oh, Theodore!; Guinea Pig Poems**/Clarion
- Kirk, Daniel. **Cat Power!**/Hyperion
- Lewis, J. Patrick **The Brothers' War; Civil War Voices In Verse**/. National Geographic.
----- **Under The Kissletoe; Christmastime Poems**/Boyd's Mills
- Miller, Kate. **Poems In Black And White**/Wordsong
- Mora, Pat. **Yum! Mmmm! Que Rico!; Americas' Sproutings Haiku**/ Lee & Low
- Neri, G. **Chess Rumble**/Lee & Low
- Owens, Mary Beth. **Panda Whispers**/Dutton
- Park, Linda Sue. **Tap Dancing On The Roof**/Clarion
- Perry, Andrea. **Snack Smasher & Others Reasons Why It's Not My Fault**/Atheneum
- Prelutsky, Jack. **Me I Am**/. Fs&G
----- **Good Sports**/Knopf
----- **In Aunt Giraffe's Green Garden**/Greenwillow
- Ruddell, Deborah. **Today at the Bluebird Café**/McElderry

Laura Purdie Salas – Online Writing Courses

laurasalas.com

Ryder, Joanne. **Toad By The Road; A Year In The Life Of These Amazing Amphipians/**
Holt

Schertle, Alice. **We/**Lee & Low

Schlitz, Laura Amy. **Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices from a Medieval**
Village!Candlewick

Shapiro, Karen Jo. **I Must Go Down To The Beach Again/**Charlesbridge

Sidman, Joyce. **This Is Just To Say; Poems Of Apology And Forgiveness/**Houghton

Singer, Marilyn. **City Lullaby/**Clarion

Smith, Charles R., Jr. **Twelve Rounds To Glory; The Story Of Muhammad**
Ali/Candlewick

Spinelli, Eileen. **Polar Bear, Arctic Hare; Poems Of The Frozen North/**Wordsong
----- **Summerhouse Tree/**Knopf (Verse Novel)

Varella, Barry. Gizmo/**Roaring Brook Press** (Pic. Book)

Ed. Vecchione, Patrice. **Faith & Doubt/**Holt

Vestergaard, Hope. **I Don't Want To Clean My Room; A Mess Of Poems About**
Chores/Dutton.

Walker, Alice. **Why War Is Never A Good Idea/**Harpercollins

Weatherford, Carole Boston. **Birmingham, 1963/**Boyds Mills

Whitehead, Jenny. **Holiday Stew/**Holt.

Ed. Yolen, Jane. **Here's A Little Poem/**Candlewick

Yolen, Jane. **Shape Me A Rhyme; Nature's Forms In Poetry/**Boyds Mills

*** Thanks to Lee Bennett Hopkins for compiling the bulk of this list!**

My Children's Poetry Books (all Capstone Press, 2008)

Shrinking Days, Frosty Nights: Poems about Fall

Seed Sower, Hat Thrower: Poems about Weather

Tiny Dreams, Sprouting Tall: Poems about the United States

And Then There Were Eight: Poems about Space

Flashy, Clashy, and Oh-So Splashy: Poems about Color

Do Buses Eat Kids? Poems about School

[A Few of My Favorite Children's Poets](#)

Kurt Cyrus
Lisa Westberg Peters
Joyce Sidman
Susan Marie Swanson
Lee Bennett Hopkins (anthologies, mostly)
Rebecca Kai Dotlich
Nikki Grimes
Douglas Florian
Barbara Juster Esbensen
J. Patrick Lewis
Lisa Wheeler
Kristine O'Connell George
Ralph Fletcher
Kathi Appelt
Hope Vestergaard
Lilian Moore
Eve Merriam
Tracie Vaughn Zimmer
Sonya Sones (novels in verse)
Susan Taylor Brown (novel in verse)

Poetry Speaks to Children (book & cd)

[Kids' Books on How to Write Poetry](#)

Write Your Own Poetry, by Laura Purdie Salas
Poem-Making, by Myra Cohn Livingston
How to Write Poetry, by Paul B. Janeczko
Poetry Matters, by Ralph Fletcher
Just Paper and Pen, by Kathi Appelt (for teens)
Poems from Homeroom, by Kathi Appelt (for teens)
Seeing the Blue Between, by Paul Janeczko

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Books About Writing Poetry

The Poetry Dictionary, by John Drury

You Can Write Poetry, by Jeff Mock

How to Write Poetry, from Arco

The Poetry Home Repair Manual, by Ted Kooser

A Crow Doesn't Need Its Shadow, by Lorraine Ferra (writing nature poetry)

A Few Useful Websites and Blogs

<http://www.laurasalas.com/poetry/poetic%20pursuits/poetpurs.html> – Poetic Pursuits, a monthly column I put on my site about writing kids' poetry

http://community.livejournal.com/online_poetry/ – Visit this blog and you'll only see the framework for my online beginners' poetry workshop, but on the righthand sidebar, you'll see links to several poetry websites and also blogs I enjoy that feature poetry frequently

<http://laurasalas.livejournal.com/> – I post about poetry often

<http://kidslitinformation.blogspot.com/> – Check here to see who has the Poetry Friday roundup every Friday. Then visit that blog to click through to all sorts of great Poetry Friday posts.

http://www.laurasalas.com/present/on_class.html – I offer online poetry workshops. Check here to see what classes are coming up.

rhymezone.com – online rhyming dictionary

uncc.edu/home/canada/work/markport/best/study/poetry.htm – scroll down to #7, which is step-by-step directions for scanning a poem

writersdigest.com – click on Poetry, then More Poetry Tips

magneticpoetry.com/ – play with Magnetic Poetry kits online

www.poems.com/ – read a contemporary poem every day

tracievaughnzimmer.com – interviews with children's poets

nikkigrimes.com

joycesidman.com/

kristinegeorge.com/

rebeccakaidotlich.com/

jpatricklewis.com/