



## City of Monrovia Art in Public Places 2022 Sidewalk Poetry Contest Winners



### The Forest

Seek your path through horizon green,  
Following those who have been.  
But fear not to take a turn  
to hidden briar, foreign fern.  
By Charlie Heatherly

### Color your World

When we grow old enough we're going to wear  
Odd hats with floppy brims  
in fuchsia and chartreuse  
And belt out loud the songs  
That got us through a lifetime worrying  
If strangers thought  
a neutral beige acceptable  
By John Shaw

### Let Them Go

If writers of best sellers fail to call  
About this story you have lived  
or Hollywood producers pass  
on bidding for the rights  
May you be loving  
your extraordinary life  
so fully you would let them go  
straight to voice mail anyway  
By John Shaw

### Light As A Feather

Like a paper tossed in the wind our imaginations  
float against the currents of time and space knows no boundaries.  
We close our eyes and pretend we're light has a feather destination unknown.  
Soaring to heights never dreamed possible they all happen when you close your eyes and  
dream.  
By Roy Yanez

### Happiness is All Around You

If you ever feel sad look no further than outside your window.  
There you will be treated to children playing, blowing bubbles.  
Take a walk where you can stop and smell the roses.  
Enjoy a conversation with your neighbor on your swing with blue skies as your backdrop  
happiness is all around you.  
By Roy Yanez

### Monrovia Haiku

Bears roam, foothills dawn  
Monrovia a delight,  
Kindly town of mine  
By Katelyn Do