

2019 Poems selected for Appleton's Sidewalk Poetry Program

By Michael Maller

Under Strain

Life is hard for the guitar string
Stretched, stressed until it's taut
Yet for all its frets and pain
A world of music is its lot

By Kathleen Westbrook

On balmy days I'm warm as toast;
On frosty days I'm cool.
In sudden summer cloudbursts
I become an earthworm's pool!
A passage for pedestrians,
A perfect space for chalk,
I'm made with care
For all to share.
What is my name?
Sidewalk!

By Chloe Hitter

Love is
The stored honey of the human soul,
Share often
Love more

By Kate Jannette

Oceans

Overlaps of foamy white
Waves crashing down day and night
Hiding secrets in the blue below
Spirally shells, creatures unknown
Angel of motion, guiding of light
Roaring with beauty, world despite

By Joanna Dane

dreaming of marigold wings
where the pelicans soar
into the clouds
where the fox river drops
over the dam
spilling its ancient truth
about what I can not grasp
as the owl hoots to the moon