

Soroptimists hold

**stars in their hands, each one a
woman's wish—girl's dream.**

—Poem by Shevaun Brannigan



Calling All Poets!

Our upcoming convention in Yokohama will provide a unique opportunity to experience Japanese culture, including through poetry. Haiku and Senryu are forms of Japanese poetry that contain 17 syllables—in three unrhymed lines of five, seven, and five syllables. Haiku tends to be more serious and focus on nature. Senryu is more lighthearted and often humorous.

Prior to convention, we want to collect your Haiku and Senryu creations. You can write about anything—our convention theme of Stars, Dreams and Wishes, our focus on women and girls, or whatever is meaningful to you.

HOW

To submit your artwork:



Post on the SIA Facebook page using the hashtag #SIAPoetry

OR



Email your poem to
<siahq@soroptimist.org>.

We will collect the poems, randomly select a few for presentation in Yokohama, and post all in one place as a memory of our meeting in Yokohama in 2018.



Have fun with this! Send us your contribution and celebrate our host country's culture.

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