

## Sidewalk Poetry

- The Spanish Sidewalk Poetry Competition kicked off with a virtual poetry reading from Danny Solis on Tuesday, Sept. 15.
- Mar Valdecantos, past winning poet, led a Zoom workshop in Spanish on writing sidewalk poems on Saturday, Sept. 26. Here was her re-cap: " The poetry workshop was great! I loved it. We didn't have a lot of people attend but of the ones that came an old man that has never written poetry before suddenly realized he can write and he wrote right there a poem that blew me away! I spoke with him afterwards and he was very appreciative as he said I managed to awaken a side of him he didn't know he had. We are thinking to do more sessions but during the week and in the afternoon. A Saturday morning is not great as people are busy and we realized 10 was too early!"
- The Spanish Sidewalk Poetry contest is open until Nov. 2.
- I'll be trying to coordinate a date with our judges for sometime mid-November before the Thanksgiving Holiday to review entries.
- If you know Spanish-language speakers, please encourage them to submit a poem for the contest!