

Sidewalk Poetry

Discussed taking 2021 to reassess direction/strategy for sidewalk poetry going forward. Direction will depend on available funding. Rob has suggested trying spray chalk poems/chalk illustrated poems this year to expand reach of the program. The Library will work with Rob on the direction of Sidewalk Poetry, and will work with city to place new poems later this spring.

The capstone event will take place at the Hispanic Heritage Celebration on 9/18. Winning Spanish language poems will be read on stage.

We discussed the condition of some of the older poems—a few have not held up as well as others to the elements and foot traffic (possibly due to font size used on stamps). We will be asking for volunteers to walk around after the snow melts to document condition of poems. Recommend retiring and remaking stamps for poems that haven't held up well to wear and tear. The library will work on getting an updated map of poem locations, and working on a solution to loading issues with the virtual map.