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Palmdale's Ed Robinson is 2015 "Walk on Words" Poetry Contest Winner  
*Work to Be Stamped in Concrete at DryTown Water Park*

PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale's Public Art Committee has selected a poem by Palmdale resident Ed Robinson as the winning entry in the third annual "Walk on Words" poetry contest.

As part of City's Public Art program, entrants were asked to submit original compositions that were no more than 12 lines long, including title, with a maximum of 35 characters per line, including spaces.

Robinson's work was one of 144 submissions with the theme of "summer fun." For his efforts, he won a family 4-pack of DryTown season passes, as well as having his poem stamped in concrete at DryTown.

The winning prose:

Palmdale has a secret,  
A high desert oasis,  
Filled with cool running water,  
And smiling, happy faces.  
When the days get hot,  
And the sun shines bright,  
A trip to our water park,  
Will set things right.  
So throw on your swimsuit,  
And come on down,  
And prepare to be refreshed,  
In the waters of Dry Town!

Honorable mention winners were Shelly James, Belva Gardner, Jaylin Pacheco, Ambernai Todd, Kelly Perez, Marinna Ardito, Ulisses Rivas Junior, Pamela L. Lacey,

Marcos Garcia, Mitchell Seyfer, and the students of Ms. Amanda Sullivan's 6th grade class at Tierra Bonita who wrote a poem together. Honorable winners received 2 one day passes to DryTown.

Previous "Walk on Words" winners include Mary Denning of Lancaster whose poem is stamped in concrete at Poncitlán Square, and Steven Brito of Palmdale whose work is in front of the Palmdale Playhouse box office.

The City of Palmdale created its Public Art Committee earlier this year to explore ways to better engage residents in the arts and provide avenues for those creative expressions.

For information on the Public Art Committee, please call 661/267-5611.

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