



COBIS Poetry Competition 2020

Today's Actions Shape Tomorrow's World

Category A: 10 years and under Runner-up

Ode to Coral reefs

Oh, Coral Reefs how my heart soars, at the sight of your ravishing symphony of colour. You shimmer like thousands of emeralds, an angel of the sea.

My heart bubbles with joy, as I see you guiding the colossal ocean to the genial world.

Oh Coral Reefs, the elated, emotions emerge in me.

My spirit is lifted, as I see your colourful, comforting coral.

The warm feeling you give me, as I watch the miniature adorable fish flutter around you.

I exalt you're mass of colour that shines like the glistening sun.

Oh, how I loathe the sight of the hideous nets clawing at your exquisite body. Darkness devours my heart as I see the monster mangle its way towards you slicing you limb from limb. Stunning colour remaining on your bed of light is draining.

Oh Coral reefs my heart fills with hope.

Teaching these dangerous, damnable devils what is right.

The assaulting feeling it gives me as I see enormous boats hover over you.

Overfishing is the devil of the sea.

Hope is alive if this greed stops snaking its way up to us.

Will the radiant remarkable reefs remain?

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