JAMAICA POETRY COMPETITION

SUBMIT AN APPLICATION VIA LINK AT WWW.THISJAMAICA.ORG
HTTPS://DOCS.GOOGLE.COM/FORMS/D/E/1FAIPQLSC2UCD1ZY8QCZVLXGXH4IJTR-UJO6V8EMDARD4R9SNWQNYGSG/VIEWFORM

A SINGLE PERSON (NO GROUPS) SHALL RECITE THE POEM “THIS IS JAMAICA” WRITTEN BY PETER GRACEY, VIA MP4 VIDEO FORMAT

VIDEO MUST BE TITLED "THIS IS JAMAICA BY PETER GRACEY"

POEM MUST BE VIDEO RECORDED AND EMAIL VIDEO TO WATCHUSGROWMI@GMAIL.COM

SCHOLARSHIP PRIZES
FIRST PLACE- $250 USD
SECOND PLACE- $150 USD
THIRD PLACE- $75 USD

STUDENTS MUST BE BETWEEN THE AGES AND 6-17 YEARS OF AGE AND REGISTERED IN SCHOOL. PARENTS MUST GIVE AUTHORIZATION FOR MINORS.

CONTESTANTS MUST BE OF JAMAICAN HERITAGE (GRANDPARENTS/PARENTS) AND CURRENTLY RESIDE IN MICHIGAN.

SUBMISSION DATES
START DATE APRIL 15TH, 2022
END DATE JULY 15TH 2022

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This is Jamaica!
This is my country.
A son of this island,
A daughter of this land.

Fearless of fear,
I stand in awe.
Only love prevails,
Secured in God’s hands.

This is Jamaica!
Where Joy cometh in the morn.
Surrounded by mystic waters,
Crashing into the shores – Where only heroes are born.

Only if you knew Jamaica as well as I do,
Then you would utter!
I love you Jamaica,
God knows, I Do!

This is Jamaica!
A simple speck in the universe.
Our hearts beat and pulse in every nation,
But only second to The Kingdom of God – We put Jamaica first.

I am Jamaican!
Regardless of where you may find me.
Black, Green and Gold is the marrow in my bones.
So If I die away from my island,
I pray to God, you’ll take me home.