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**Haiku Poems**

IN SLOVENE AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE

1

Drevesni listi  
se sporazumevajo  
s trepetom bilk.

The leaves in the wind  
understand  
the trembling grass

2

Svetilke noči.  
Nobena ni enaka  
drugi v temi.

Lights in the night.  
None is equal to any other  
in the dark.

3

Obrisi hiš  
dobivajo barve  
v zgodnjem jutru.

The outlines of houses  
are getting colours  
in the early morning.

4

Jutro že blešči  
in plava po obzorju.  
Prekratke so noči.

The morning is already gleaming  
and swimming across the horizon.  
The nights are too short.

5

Vrana zavija  
med letom,  
kot da ne ve kam.

A crow swerves  
during its flight as if it  
did not know where to go.

6

Oblak v jutru.  
Jata prestrašenih ptic.  
Vihar se še skriva.

A cloud in the morning.  
A flock of frightened birds.  
The storm is still hiding.

7

Drevje se ljubi.  
Nebo je veter  
med vejo in vejo.

The trees love each other.  
The sky is the wind between  
one branch and the other.

8

Dan je najsvetlejši  
zjutraj,  
ko je še čist.

The day is brightest  
in the morning  
when it is still clear.

9

Drevje in hiše,  
oblaki in nebo in mir.  
Vse je prav.

The trees and the houses,  
the clouds and the sky and peace.  
Everything is right.

10

Na zemlji je noč,  
ko je jutro še mlado.  
Na nebu je dan.

There is still darkness on earth  
when the morning is young.  
But there is daylight in the sky.

11

Odsevi sonca  
so zjutraj čisto drugačni,  
kot zvečer.

The reflections of the sun  
are completely different in the morning  
than those in the evening.

Obrisi oblaka  
za vejami.  
Kot da je drevo večje.

The outlines of a cloud  
behind branches.  
As if the tree is larger.

Storž na tleh  
pestuje  
svojo bolečino.

A cone on the ground.  
nurses  
its pain.

Nevidne stene  
služijo  
redu.

Invisible walls  
are in servitude  
to order.

Razmišljanje:  
muka.  
Molitev: uslišanje.

Deliberation:  
torment.  
Prayer: fulfilment.

Potok je legal  
v svojo strugo.  
Spet mir.

A brook lay down  
in its bed.  
Peace once again.

Zvoki ptic  
od zgoraj.  
Bo še kaj padlo dol?

Sounds of birds  
from up above.  
Will something else fall down?

Poletni mrak.  
Silhouette prehajajo  
druga v drugo.

Summer dusk.  
Silhouettes transcend  
into each other.

Sence dreves  
padajo  
v noč.

Tree shadows  
fall  
into the night.

Motno nebo  
skriva  
tisto misel.

Opaque heavens  
hide  
that thought.

Luči  
za velikim borom.  
Praznik.

Lights  
behind a large pine.  
A holiday.

V dekletu,  
oblečenem v črno,  
se zrcali noč.

A girl,  
clad in black,  
mirrors the night.

Stopinje  
odzvanjajo v noč.  
Resnica.

Footsteps  
resound into the night.  
The truth.

Vonj  
po mladih smrekah  
do neba.

The scent  
of young pines  
touching the sky.

Minljivo,  
a nespremenljivo:  
zaupanje.

Fleeting  
yet unchangeable:  
trust.

Potem pa mir,  
kot da bo večno  
trajal.

And then peace,  
as if it shall last  
forever.

Nikjer ptic.  
Pa vse  
žvrgoli.

Not a bird in sight.  
And yet there is warbling  
everywhere.

Mušica  
prileti v oko.  
Zakrije oblak.

A midge  
flies into your eye.  
Covers the cloud.

Mir odzvanja  
od nevidnih sten  
narave.

Peace resounds  
off invisible walls  
of nature.

Nobeno drevo  
ni samo.  
Človek pa.

No tree  
is alone.  
Man is.

Samo jaz  
in nebo.  
Pa toliko oblakov!

Only me  
and the heavens.  
And so many clouds!

Mravlja  
odkriva naslednji  
prostor tišine.

An ant  
discovers the next  
place of silence.

Trava.  
Toliko  
skrivnosti!

Grass.  
So many  
secrets!

Kos poje.  
Sploh ne ve,  
da ga poslušam.

A blackbird sings.  
It doesn't even know  
that I'm listening.

Drevo  
za drevesom,  
Nisem središče.

A tree  
behind a tree.  
I am not the centre.

Ptica klepeta,  
kot da nima  
nič povedati.

A bird chatters,  
as if it had  
nothing to say.

Cvetoča hruška.  
Taka,  
kot vse.

A pear tree in bloom.  
Just like  
all the others.

Ptič.  
Obnaša se  
kot čebela.

A bird.  
It behaves like  
a bee.

Sraka.  
Bori se s sabo  
namesto s težnostjo.

A magpie.  
Fights itself  
instead of gravity.

Zeleni vrt.  
Ponavlja se  
stara zgodba.

A green garden.  
The old story  
repeats itself.

Oddih  
od misli.  
Nastane pesem.

A rest  
from thoughts.  
A poem emerges.

Jezna raca  
dela red  
po lepo urejenem vrtu.

An angry duck  
is putting things in order  
in a well-kept garden.

Nebo,  
zelenje, jaz.  
Čudež.

The heavens,  
greenery, me.  
A miracle.

Razmišljam,  
koliko nebov  
je za nebom.

I am thinking:  
how many skies  
are there behind the sky?

Misel – kot ptič –  
pristane  
v preprostem.

A thought – like a bird –  
lands  
in simplicity.

1  
Vsi živci so napeti,  
ko pričakujem  
njen prihod.

All my nerves  
are stretched  
because I am waiting for her.

2  
Cvet čebule  
je med sadeži  
tako sam!

The flower of the onion  
is so lonely  
among the fruit.

3

Smejem se,  
ker je ptič  
pristal vzvratno.

I am smiling  
because a bird  
has landed backwards.

4

Mravlja se je zmedla  
na mizi - ob njej  
vse polno zmedenih ljudi.

An ant got confused  
on a table  
- a lot of confused people around.

5

Tišina neba  
komaj prodre  
med hiše in ljudi.

The silence of the sky  
hardly penetrates down  
among the houses and people.

6

Spomin  
se rojeva  
iz najine stare poti.

A memory  
is born  
out of our old path.

7

Pijani možgani  
mislijo  
skozi zastor težkih vek.

Drunken brains  
think  
through a curtain of eyelids.

8

Še metulj ni lahak,  
če ga pogledam  
s težo v sebi.

Even a butterfly  
is not light if I look at it  
through the weight inside me.

9

Srečen sem,  
ko se razveselim  
delčka sebe.

I am happy  
when I am delighted by  
a piece of myself.

10

Drevo  
se ne zmeni  
za svojo senco.

A tree  
does not mind  
its shadow.

11

Najin sprechod  
je zamenjal  
misli in besede.

Our walk  
substituted  
our thoughts and words.

12

Ko ne izgovorim besede,  
naredim prostor  
za novo témo.

Whenever I do not say the word,  
I make room  
for a new theme.

13

Če bi bil ptič,  
bi me moj muc  
pojedel.

If I was a bird,  
my little cat  
would eat me.

14

Ko zagledam luno,  
se zavem,  
da stojim na Zemlji.

When I look at the moon,  
I realize  
that I am standing on earth.

1

Opoldanski oblaki  
srečujejo veter.  
Odkod ta moč?

At noon, the clouds  
meet the wind.  
Where does the strength come from?

2

Narava.  
Sprehod pove več,  
kot pogled skozi okno.

Nature.

A walk tells me more  
than a look through the window.

3

Detel na veji.  
Vrti se kot misel  
in odfrči.

A woodpecker on a branch.  
It spins around like a thought  
and flies away.

4

Vrana prileti  
z drevesa, se ustraši  
in zbeži - sem kriv?

A crow flies down  
from a tree, it gets startled  
and flees. Am I guilty?

5  
Zamenjam svinčnik  
za grafitnega.  
Vse brez kemije.

I take a pencil  
instead of a pen.  
Everything is without chemicals.

6  
Veter, mraz  
in sonce. Termometer  
visi postrani.

The wind, the cold  
and the sun.  
The thermometer is askew.

7  
Pišem haiku.  
Najprej veter,  
Potem učinek.

I am writing a haiku.  
First there is the wind  
then the effect.

8  
Metla, prislonjena  
ob vrata,  
čaka tako mirno!

A broom, leaning  
against the door,  
is waiting so calmly!

9

Košček neba med  
drevesi. Ptiček je na  
spodnjem koncu tunela.

A piece of the sky among the trees.  
A bird is on the lower side  
of the tunnel.

10

V gozdu  
se nič ne giblje.  
Le zvoki poganjajo vse.

Nothing is moving  
in the forest. But the sounds  
are moving everything.

11

Grd glas  
vrane iz drevja.  
Onesnaženje?

An ugly sound  
from a crow in the trees.  
Pollution?

12

Ptiček  
gleda žalostno  
v suh vodnjak.

A little bird  
is looking sadly  
into an empty fountain.

13

Dve ptici letita  
skupaj. Zakaj ena  
zavija stran?

Two birds  
are flying together  
Why is one of them turning away?

14

Dva se srečata.  
Čuden lesk v očeh.  
Pogum in strah.

Two people meet.  
A strange gleam in their eyes.  
Courage and fear.

15

Pomlad se ne  
naveliča poslušati  
svojih zvokov.

The spring  
never gets tired  
of its own sounds.

16

V najskrivnejšem  
kotičku gozda  
pleše senca lista ples.

In the best hidden  
place in the forest  
a shadow of a leaf performs its dance.

17

Otroški glas.  
Mine nekaj dni.  
Ženski glas.

The voice of a child.  
A few days pass.  
The voice of a woman.

18

Sonce pusti vetrū,  
da plava  
koderkoli hoče.

The sun lets the wind  
swim  
whenever it wants.

19

Otrok.  
Kapljica v večnost.  
Starček.

A child.  
A drop into eternity.  
An old man.

20

Postave ljudi  
strižejo veter,  
a on tega ne ve.

People's shapes  
are cutting the wind,  
but the wind does not know that.

21

Pasji gobec  
poliže dlan,  
ali ugrizne.

A dog's mouth  
can lick your palm  
or it can bite.

22

Napetost med  
ljudmi. Rani že  
zamik glave.

Tension between people.  
The smallest movement  
of the head can hurt.

23

Ograja deli  
moje in tvoje.  
Čigavo?

A fence can divide  
mine and yours.  
Whose?

24

Mož in žena.  
On nese sebe.  
Ona vse.

A husband and a wife.  
He carries himself.  
She carries both.

25

Dimnik je vroč  
poleti in pozimi.  
Hiša je topla.

The chimney is hot  
in winter and in summer.  
The house is always warm.

26

Marjetice  
so kot snežinke  
v beli travi.

Daffodils  
are like snowflakes  
in the white grass.

27

Drevo še ni  
ozelenelo. Suhe veje  
še niso odpadle.

The tree has not  
become green yet.  
The dry branches have not fallen off yet.

28

Barve, obrisi,  
veter, misel.  
Kaj bi brez sebe?

The colours, the shapes,  
the wind, a thought. What would I do  
without myself?

29

Tema.  
Tiktakanje ure.  
Beži čas, ali jaz?

Darkness.  
Sounds of a clock.  
Is time running away, or is it me?

30

Kakšno je zunaj?  
Umolknem.  
Povsod je haiku.

What is it like outside?  
I fall silent.  
Everywhere is haiku.

31

Ko zagrmi,  
potok  
spremeni barvo.

When it thunders,  
the stream  
changes its colour.

32

Ko zaprem oči,  
ptice  
začno peti.

When I close my eyes,  
the birds  
start to sing.

33

Lajež v tišino.  
Spomnim se psa,  
ki sem ga imel rad.

Barking in the darkness.  
I remember  
my old dead dog.