1 Vaccinations bring new hope As the sun warms up, Emerging ... hugging ... I recall that last summer Amy Yamashiro Photographically Skyler Baysa, 12th grade Distancing is hard. 2 Hugs recalled, waved away Covid in the air elbows akimbo. Bump it! People biked to get outside Joyce McCallister Keep it up, neighbors! **Amy Smolens** When the masks come off 3 Your face is a fresh coastline "Did you see those teeth?!" Seabirds rush like tears Naked faces greet the air Aaron Staple Almost COVID-free Eugenie Hsu 10 Can't see your cousins 4 Miss seeing your friends at school A thief approaches Remember these times. Protected by the full moon Olivia Kwong, 5th grade I possess myself Joseph Heidebrecht 11 Come on, follow me 5 You, friend are in quarantine The memories Don't forget your mask! The new year, prosperity Callie M., 5th grade The hope Jocelyn, 5th grade 12 My mom was born here 6 Albany faced the future Covid is a scare. She'd be proud of us Healthcare workers working hard. Michael Reyes Stay safe and wear masks. Colin, 5th grade 13 Pandemic puppies All shapes and sizes a blur Seclusion for all Pure joy at the park

Sarah Schroeder 20 Do you remember 14 The fragrance of the time before? Loud, lonely chaos Then and now, the scent of dawn. Toni Littlestone Hidden away in our hives Now Solano buzzes Sandy Tesch Wilkins 21 Scarred world by the pandemic 15 Love heals our deep wounds Fall zoom desk taught with Spring flowers always bloom spinning chair and hamster slinky. **Sherry Wang** spring patty-cake play. Max Weintraub 22 There is light at the 16 end of the tunnel. We will be there soon. Stay safe! Sore arms, warm hearts We break free our cocoons Sydney, 3rd grade Hug beloved friends 23 Amy Neil A Fauci Ouchie 17 Helps return to normalcy Smile with your eyes, bump elbows Extroverts rejoice Wait on the blue line Ping Fahn Ready for a hug? Patricia Donaldson 24 Tai Chi with the trees 18 Pulling in the energy Maskless tearful joy! Buzz canopy bees. Under the legs of Achilles Trees Linda Blachman Silence waits for rain. Melissa Hobbs 25 lavender carpet 19 wisteria petals falling

Masked people hide smiles A new spring uncovers joy

Time to live again

Tina Guerra

26 Iris, daisies, calla lilies

bumble bees enjoy

Wisteria Stock

Bluebells, yellow oxalis Albany in bloom! Ronnie Davis

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The manzanita
After winter rain and cold
Blooms with all its might
Mireya Macmillan, 4th grade

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I walk through the halls tile of red catching my eye smell of a fresh start Zora Day-Friedland, 9th grade

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Beneath the face masks
Lie honey lungs and viper bones
Testaments of strength
Elaine Christine

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The stillness of air Shattered by a lone siren Life heals beat by beat Linda T. Lee

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The crayon yellow dandelion declares its immortality. Joyce Ng