

The Ministry of Health's 2011 Clean Air Day Poetry Contest Winner

Summer Promise

By Clara Sia

Bright as the summer, I owe it to you
To give back to the world, to preserve and renew
The air that I breathe is the same in your hair
What gave life to the smile you so cheerfully wear
For the chance that someday you too will see
Your own precious one dancing joyfully
Amongst flowers as colourful as your little girl dreams
Hopping stone to stone across crystal clear streams
I vow the only footprint I'll leave behind
Is the one in the sand and your heart, your mind
An impression of what my promise means
Of fresh breezes, sweet raindrops, and leaves greenest green
For you, I'll gladly do my grown-up part
And teach you the secrets of leaving no mark
My dancing, prancing summer girl
I give you the gift of a clean summer world

