

Early Spring

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first day of spring
on someone's shoulders
a toddler

Rob Scott

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AHS invites you to share with us your original haiku or senryu on the theme of 'Early Spring'. We invite you to explore a multiplicity of ideas in the String without necessarily using the words 'early spring'.

The haiku will be linked by the subject Early Spring. It is not necessary for each haiku to relate to the one before it.

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on someone's shoulders
a toddler

Rob Scott

two cabbage whites
flutter side by side . . .
life is in bloom

Tom Staudt

soccer match
I'm watching the white butterflies
nil – all

Margaret Mahony

daisies . . .
the first butterfly
on the pink hat

Hassane Zemmouri

first swallows—
my old straw hat
much thinned

Mirela Brăilean

shadows of daffodils
flicker on the blinds
nursing home

Lynette Arden

library closed for remodeling
daffodils bloom
anyway

Susan Delphine Delaney

daffodil's corona
dusk falls
on a sleeping bee

Ingrid Baluchi

an upturned parasol
first plum blossom
hiding a bee

Gina Louis

foggy morning
all the gazanias
tight tipped

Lynette Arden

a tinge of brown
on the golden wattle
swooping magpie

Louise Hopewell

bird bath rights—
magpies and noisy miners
wait their turn

Earl Livings

magpie calls
from tree to tree . . .
post-pandemic dawn

Hifsa Ashraf

what colour
the magpie's song
in dancing sunlight?

Lynette Arden

twilight . . .
the opera notes
of magpies

R. Suresh Babu

three a.m. hawk pierces the night silence

Scott Wiggerman

rippling
the early dawn hues
robin songs

Hifsa Ashraf

letter box
long empty
a robin's nest

Mike Gallagher

The sparrow
on a plum branch . . .
spring equinox

Pasquale Asprea

three eggs
in a mud nest
peewee duet

Louise Hopewell

sheepskin sky
just a tinkling of new day
chorus

Rose van Son

early spring . . .
on the windowsill
a white feather

Hifsa Ashraf

early sunrise
opens my eyes—
new leaves

Susan Grant

spring dawn
a willow whispers
to the wind

Stella Damarjati

bluebell carpets
I sing the tune electric
lost in woodland

Alan Summers

the long flight
across the fields
almond blossom

Simon Hanson

this evening . . .
on a few forget – me – nots
warmth of the sun

Milan Rajkumar

twilight
eleven red flowers
on the Kangaroo Paw

Maureen Sexton

blossoming moon
caught between the branches
an orb weaver's web

LP Convey

life on the moon
first strands of rice
above the water

Mirela Brăilean

fields of red
ploughed and tilled earth
ready for seed

Ron C. Moss

fields of gold
the canola flowers gleam
in a sunshower

Ron C. Moss

fields of green
new lambs gather
to prance and nap

Ron C. Moss

playful lambs
stamp footprints
in the last frost

Sharyn Jones

ten ducklings
zigzag behind their mum
breadcrumbs

Louise Hopewell

spring breeze
the puppy wants to sniff
everything

Polona Oblak

dawn . . .
pollen prints
on grape leaves

R. Suresh Babu

a yellow crocus
pushing up through the snow—
the warmth of her smile

Corine Timmer

early spring
dripping in icicles
the sunlight

Mirela Brăilean

soft sunlight
on the windowpane
kaleidoscope of memories

Farhida Islam

in full bloom
the condemned
cherry tree

Patsy Turner

wisteria . . .
a mother braids
her daughter's hair

Hassane Zemmouri

Blue Devils
on the wildflower trail
my granddaughter's eyes

Maureen Sexton

grass sprouts—
the first little steps
of my son

Daniela Misso

fresh green blades
rise from an old patch
someone's grave

Scott Wiggerman

after the storm
white drifts fringe the footpath
apple blossom

Natalie Cooke

laundry day—
the scent of melted snow

Daniela Misso

I breathe
blossom-soaked air . . .
Spring again

Nathalie Buckland

from the flower market
the scent of spring—
children's laughter

Corine Timmer

chopping wood
the scent
of cherry laurel

Patsy Turner

through bushland
the wattle-scented winds
an age-old dance

Gavin Austin

out of hospital—
my first steps
in Spring sunshine

Nathalie Buckland

patched in sunlight
the veranda steps
to the back garden

Rose van Son

out in the garden
grandma illuminated
by sunlight

Vanessa Proctor

hands in a fountain
delicate trickle
of hard water

Scott Wiggerman

water lilies and I
talk away
pandemic blues

Subir Ningthouja

home quarantine
I welcome visits
from birds

Nathalie Buckland

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