A collaboration between Writers and Illustrators



The Great Wave off Kanagawa, Katsushika Hokusai

Write Haiku, a very short form of Japanese poetry

- 1. The entire poem consists of just three lines, totaling 17 syllables
- 2. The first line of every haiku has 5 syllables
- 3. The second line has 7 syllables
- 4. The third line has 5 syllables. (Typically this line of the poem makes an observation)
- 5. Punctuation and capitalization are up to the poet, and need not follow rules
- 6. A haiku poem usually does not rhyme

Write and send your original Haiku for this project to Dana.Brewer@ynhh.org

Now for the Arts. Illustrators?

- 1. Illustrators will select from a Haiku that has been sent in to us for this project and create original artwork. For details Dana.Brewer@ynhh.org or call 203.200.6129
- 2. The illustration should be a narrative or interpretation that captures the feeling of the poem. It can provide emphasis or accentuate a particular text.
- 3. Use the art media of choice and incorporate the Haiku text into your project.

