

Dear Haiku contestants,

The reviews are in on your haiku, and it is time for us to make a decision. After careful reading and consideration, we have decided to select the following haiku to be emblazoned on the official 2014 FTL Champion's Plaque this November:

rob, it's time for bed
this is just a first round match
at least quit pacing

Our decision is based on the Haiku Board's comments, our reading of each haiku, and an overall assessment of the significance of the contribution of each haiku to fantasy tennis. Congratulations! We are excited about this decision!

Unfortunately, not all haiku were able to be selected. Given the amount of work everyone has obviously put into constructing each haiku, it is important that we share some of the thinking that went into our decision. We solicited reviews by one or more experts in the field. Both we and the one or more reviewers appreciate the work you all have done to make each haiku as perfect as possible, yet there were significant and lingering concerns with each of the haiku that were not selected. While we do not agree with all the comments we received, our own reading of each haiku concurs with the overall recommendation of the Haiku Board. Correspondingly, it is difficult for us to move forward on the other haiku. Unfortunately, we are not able to share with you the comments we received at this time. Obviously, this is not the outcome many of you hoped for. But we thank you for considering us as an outlet for your work and hope that you consider us again in the future.

Sincerely,
Rob Clark
FTL Commissioner
Team Captain of Cupid in Chiffon

Amy Kroska
FTL Haiku Board Chief
Team Captain of The Flippin' Flapjacks

