

Celebration Messages
海外詩友よりの祝賀メッセージ

From the bottom of my heart I congratulate you on your high reward and wish you new successes and health. Our neighborhood in a common book illuminated with silver light is dear to me. Your **Mikhail Sinelnikov (Russia)**

Dear Mariko,
my congratulations to you and Taeko!
Viacheslav Kupriyanov (Russia)

Dear Mariko,
my mind is everytime with you and Taeko. **Laura Garavaglia (Italy)**

Dear Mariko,
Congratulations on this excellent news!
Congratulations to you and to Taeko Uemura for winning the Naji Naaman Literary Prize 2018! I'm so happy for you. **Helene Cardona (USA)**

Dear Mariko
My gratulation with the literary prize! **Pia Tafdrup (Denmark)**

Dear Mariko,
I'm really happy to know that you received this year the Naji Naaman Literary Prize! I would like to applaud you and congratulate you! **Franca Mancinelli (Italy)**

Dear Mariko,
Thank you so very much! Merry Christmas to you too! I hope one day I will visit beautiful Kyoto. I am currently living in DC, and I am a professor at GWU. Very nice to be in touch with you! I am also at Facebook! **Narlan Matos (Brazil)**

My dearest Mariko Sumikura!
I am very glad to obtain this news from you. My congratulation with Naji Naaman Literary Prize 2018 won by you and Taeko Uemura! It was a big Honor for me to work with you during several years. I hope that our cooperation will continue in the future.
Adolf Shvedchikov (Russia)

From Italy our most sincere and heartfelt congratulations to the winners of the Naji Naaman literary prize 2018: Taeko Uemura (Creation) and Mariko Sumikura (Honour)

the Japanese authors who have distinguished themselves for their much appreciated literary works having a very important purpose: the development of human values. **Lidia Chiarelli (Italy)**

Dear Mariko Samikura,
I'm so happy hearing the news about you and Taeko's literary Prize. You deserve it! I wish you more success in future. **Armenuhi Sisyan (Armenia)**

Let me cordially and warmly congratulate on your prizes!
You are both excellent poets of world stature.
Next spring samples of your poetry will be published in Estonian and we will be looking forward to meet you both as guests of the Prima Vista festival in Tartu!
Jüri Talvet (Estonia)

Dear Mariko, It is a pleasure to receive congratulatory messages from you! I hope you are fine! I wish you a lot of success! **Bujar Plloshtani (Albania)**

CONGRATULATIONS to you and Ms. Taeko Uemura for winning the Naji Naaman Literary Prize 2018! I am sure you both deserve it! **Lia Finkenthal (Israel)**

Dear Mariko I am very happy to hear of your prize and Taeko's. It is a great honour for me to have you and Taeko as friends. I feel very proud because of that. I believe you really deserved these prizes both for your poems and your activity in favour of Poetry and International Poetry Cooperation. Nowadays the world needs Poetry more than ever as so many bad things are happening and our planet is in danger. So I believe your writing and your work on Poetry is not only a literary engagement but also a social commitment. This is my message for the March 2019 celebration party with my wishes for you to be able to go on being testimonials of the spiritual value of Poetry, as a sign of Universal Love. Best greetings to you! **Donatella Bisutti (Italy)**

Dear Taeko Uemura and Mariko Sumikura,
Congratulations on receiving the Naji Naaman Literary Prize 2018. 聽
I am delighted that two such talented Japanese poets are receiving recognition for the excellence of their poetry. May you both keep on writing, publishing, and supporting poetry in Japan. Warm regards, **Bill Wolak** Poet from the USA

