

The Hugh Miller Writing Competition 2019-2020

Under 18 Poetry Highly Commended The Heart of Neolithic Orkney: Mia Chisholm

The Hugh Miller Writing Competition carries the name of one of Scotland's most endearing geologists, Hugh Miller (1802-1856), and aims to honour his legacy by inspiring new, original prose and poetry on the theme of Scotland's geoheritage. The competition is organised by the Scottish Geodiversity Forum and The Friends of Hugh Miller.

Further details of the competition, and all the winning entries, are available at www.scottishgeology.com/hughmiller/

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The Heart of Neolithic Orkney

A beautiful place
The cool wind whooshes right passed you
blows the past away
You are a new person now
You are allowed to forget who you were the day before
become the person you have dreamed to be
Leave your sadness behind
Let the happiness flow into you
Just stare into the open space
breathe in the cool air
remember you can be whoever you want to be
Stop
Think
Realise
How many storms the rocks have been through
they are still standing
you can face the same number of tough times
keep standing
storms don't last forever
neither will your tough times
you just need to
Forgive
Forget
Create

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