

Forty Five Haiku's by John Patrick Seekamp:

BOY, GIRL and RAIN

Boy plays samisen,
Girl sitting in garden hears,
Warm rain chases both.

Boy plays samisen,
Girl sitting in garden hears,
Warm rain makes both laugh.

SCROLLS, WINTER, TREE STUMP

Old man hides Ming scrolls,
Many winters come and go,
Farmer digs tree stump.

OLD MAN, OLD WOMAN, OLD CROW

Old man pulls rickshaw,
Old woman pulls pail up well,
Old crow pulls last worm.

OLD WOMAN, OLD MAN and Moon

Old woman cooks rice,
Old man sweeps light snow off porch,
Moon hides behind tree.

SQUIRREL, EAGLE, WARM BREEZE

Squirrel climbs in small tree,
Eagle watches from big tree,
Warm breeze brings warm rain.

BIG FROG, SMALL FROG, OLD MAN

Big frog croaks in lake,
Small frog croaks in pond,
Old man croaks in tub.

SMALL FISH, BIG FISH, BLOSSOMS

Small fish swims from rock,
Big fish watches from down stream,
Blossoms float above.

FROG IN STREAM, TURTLE ON ROCK, NORTH WIND WAITS

Frog leaps into stream,
Turtle sits in sun on rock,
North wind waits close by.

BUTTERFLY, LEOPARD and WARM WIND

Butterfly sets wings,
Leopard in evergreen yawns,
Warm wind blows from South.

SMALL FROG, SMALL BOY, BIG CLOUD

Small frog hops on path,
Small boy watching frog soon laughs,
Big cloud cries warm rain.

CAT BIRD, WILD CAT, CAT TALE

Cat bird hides in bush,
Wild cat hides alongside tree,
Monsoon hides cat tale.

CROWS, OTTER, COYOTE

Crow caws from treetop,
Otter slides in snow on lake,
Coyote watches.

MONKEY, SEASONAL RAIN and TIGER

Monkey waits in tree,
Monsoon rain waits far at sea,
Tiger waits in bush.

BEETLE, WARM RAIN and FROG

Beetle runs on log,
Warm rain drips from rocks,
Frog watches from moss.

MOON, MOUSE, OWL

Moon pokes out from cloud,
Mouse pokes out from under log,
New leaves hide old owl.

SOFTLY, GENTLY, LOUDLY

Softly monkey climbs,
Gently sun hides behind clouds,
Loudly monsoon comes.

BRIEFLY, SLOWLY, GENTLY

Briefly cloud hides sun,
Slowly tiger walks from brush,
Gently warm winds come.

MOON, MONGOOSE, MONSOON

Quickly moon shows face,
Fastly mongoose eats cobra,
Eager monsoon waits.

MOON, LONELY FISH, MONSOON

Moonshines bright on pond,
Lonely fish swims back and forth,
Monsoon laughs for now.

FROG HURRIES, TREE HURRIES, SUN HURRIES

Frog hurries to jump,
Tree hurries to make flowers,
Sun hurries to set.

TOADS LOUD, BATS BUSY, MOON WAITS

Toads loud on warm night,
Bats busy flying for food,
Moon waits behind hill.

BIRD, CAT, SNOW

Swiftly bird finds roost,
Softly softly cat hunts bird,
Soon snow gently falls.

COLD WIND, LEAVES FALL, MOUSE SHIVERS

Fast north wind finds woods,
Quickly quickly trees drop leaves,
Shaky shaky mouse.

CHIMP, APE, MECHANIC

Chimp eats banana,
Coconut falls on ape's head,
Grease monkey drops wrench.

MORNING, SUNSET, MOON

Wind welcomes morning,
Horizon welcomes sunset,
Warm night welcomes moon.

TIGER, MONKEY, RAIN

Tiger plays with cubs,
Funny funny monkey swings,
Rain comes to jungle.

YAWN, SHIVER, WET

Noon heat makes fox yawn,
Cold of night makes fox shiver,
Monsoon makes fox wet.

OLD MAN, MONSOON and LEAKY BOAT

Fastly old man rows,
Plenty plenty monsoon rains,
Leaky leaky boat.

OLD MAN, ICE and WILLOW

Old man wakes to chill,
Ice breaks tired rock from cliff,
Willow bends in wind.

GRASS CARP, PURPLE MARTINS and HEAT

Grass carp feeds near shore,
Purple Martins circle pond,
Heat makes lazy day.

RAIN, THUNDER and SLEEP

Boy hears monsoon rain,
Thunder soon follows lighting,
Hardly hardly sleep.

JUNGLE, MONKEY, SUN

Jungle grows wild,
Quickly quickly monkey swings,
Sun brings heat and calm.

COBRA, MONGOOSE, LEOPARD

Hurry cobra fast,
Mongoose leaps from hiding place,
Leopard rests in shade.

FROG, MEERCATS, SUNSET

Dark cloud looks like frog,
Next cloud soon looks like meercats,
Sun sets late in day.

LUCKY DOG, LUCKY MOUSE, LUCKY SEED

Lucky dog finds bone,
Lucky mouse finds cat asleep,
Lucky seed finds rain.

STICKY PLANT, STICKY HONEY and STICKY WARMTH

Sticky plant traps bug,
Sticky honey drips from tree,
Sticky warmth brings rain.

SUN, WIND, RAIN

Friendly sun shares warmth,
Friendly wind brings clouds,
Friendly rain sprouts seeds.

BIRD, SUNLIGHT, FLOWERS

Bird sings loud in tree,
Sunlight filters through forest,
Young flowers open.

RED BIRD, BLUE BIRD, YELLOW SUN

Red bird eats black berries,
Blue bird flies to catch green bug,
Yellow sun sets orange.

BLOSSOMS, STREAM, LOUD

Cherry blossoms fall,
Small stream flows on many rocks,
Water trickles loud.

TADPOLES, TURTLES and SUN

Tadpoles swim from shade,
Turtles on log enjoy warmth,
Sun goes behind clouds.

COW, PIG, CLOUD

A grateful cow moo's,
An unsatisfied pig squeals,
A thunder cloud booms.

SQUIRREL, RACCOON and NORTH WIND

Squirrel gnaws on walnut,
Raccoon gnaws on cob of corn,
North wind gnaws on them.

BIRD, FISH, FLOWERS

Quickly, bird builds nest,
Hurriedly, fish swims up stream,
Slowly, flowers bloom.