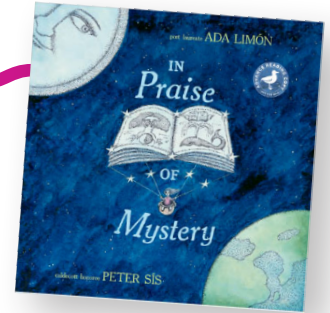




# Poem for Europa

## FLOWS LIKE WATER



**RESPOND** to *In Praise of Mystery: A Poem for Europa* written by US Poet Laureate Ada Limón and illustrated by Peter Sis that celebrates a sense of awe and curiosity at the exploration of Jupiter's moon, Europa.



**CREATE** an illustrated poem inspired by NASA's Europa Clipper mission and the wonders of the universe. Gather insights about Europa's vast and beckoning seas and compare this celestial body with Earth's mysteries. Consider how descriptive words can be used to express feelings and make distant, invisible worlds feel closer. Focus on water—a commonality between Earth and this distant moon—and how it is essential to sustain life.

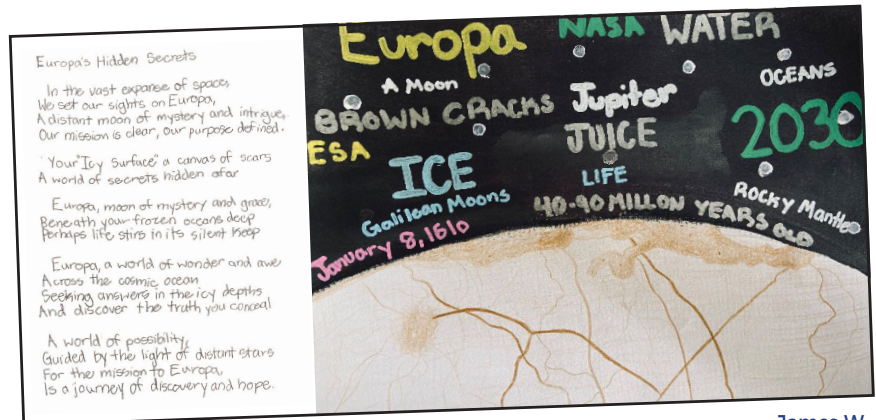
WRITE AND ILLUSTRATE YOUR ORIGINAL POEM FOR EUROPA.



**PRESENT** your illustrated poem in a class poetry slam. Prepare for the performance by practicing a tone of voice that radiates a sense of wonder. The event could be a non-judged celebration of poetry as spoken words. Or a panel of judges could provide feedback to student poets by evaluating how each poem incorporated facts about space or Europa, used words to paint mental images, and was illustrated to support the poem's meaning.



**CONNECT** the fact that Ada's poem was engraved on the Europa Clipper spacecraft to soar through space with the possibility of having your poem also travel in space. Poems that are submitted to Blue Origin's Club for the Future Postcards to Space program and poems that are shared on social media using #CrayolaCreativityWeek may be added to a digital collection that will travel to space in an upcoming mission.



James W.

### Note for teachers and parents:

For more creative inspiration and hands-on explorations go to [Crayola.com/CreativityWeek](https://Crayola.com/CreativityWeek). To share student artwork on social media please post using #CrayolaCreativityWeek



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