



Project Management Poetry™ Contest Winner to be Featured in Upcoming Book

Project Manager Samuel Udoka takes first place in global PM Web portal allPM.com's PM Poetry contest

New York, NY – March 7, 2007 – Samuel Udoka took first place in the [allPM.com](http://www.allPM.com) Poetry Contest sponsored by Wine Legend.com through ILL Publishing, New York, the publishing arm at global project management company International Institute for Learning, Inc. (ILL). Udoka will have his poem published in an anthology of allPM.com poems entitled (working title) *Project Management Poems, Puzzles and Pictorials* (ILL Publishing, New York; Spring 2007). He will receive a collection of ILL Publishing, New York books.

The contest was open to anyone through the project management portal www.allPM.com. All poems were read by a panel of judges including allPM.com co-publishers Judy Umlas and Frank Saladis, plus Associate Publisher of ILL Publishing, New York Michelle Blackley.

A Nigerian poet and project manager, Udoka donated his winnings, a \$100 gift certificate from www.winelegend.com, to the Project Management Institute (PMI®) New York City Chapter. The poem he presented, Project Road (click here to download the pdf) is of lyrical quality with language that resulted from the emotion of experiences drawn from various project implementations. When Udoka was told that he took first place he responded, "I don't know what to say; I am so very happy." "I used to be very good in poetry during my secondary school days. I guess I have to develop this talent now," Udoka said in an email. "I am glad to donate the prize to the PMI NYC Chapter and I wish them well."

Udoka is the Project/Business Development Manager with AphaNik Consulting Limited in Abuja, Nigeria. He specializes in project management advisory services. He manages all phases of project/business developments-identification, qualification, capture and bid. His responsibilities include implementation and supervision.

The runner up for the contest award was Charanya Girish, Director of the PMO for Michigan Education Special Services Association (MESSA) in East Lansing, Michigan. Her lovely project management poem Project Management Office (click here to download the pdf) will be published in the www.allPM.com newsletter next month and in the book in the Spring. She will also receive a collection of ILL Publishing, New York books as well.

"We are extremely excited to include both poems, from vast different parts of the world, in the upcoming book," said Judy Umlas, [allPM.com](http://www.allPM.com) co-publisher and publisher of ILL Publishing, New York. "When I read Mr. Udoka's poem, it brought me to tears – it was so lyrical."

ILL Publishing, New York is still soliciting poems to fill the *Project Management Poems, Puzzles and Pictorials*. Please contact Associate Publisher Michelle Blackley at michelle.blackley@iil.com or call 212-515-5144 to submit a poem or for additional information.

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