

Kobayashi Issa

Quotes

*Spring, Children, Tree, Moon, Stars, Insects, Dew, World, Snow, Summer,
Flower, Eye, Listening, Together, Civilization, Naps, Girl, Lovers, Haiku,
Simplicity*

In the cherry blossom's shade there's no such thing as a stranger.

~Kobayashi Issa

Giddy grasshopper Take care...do not leap and crush These pearls of dewdrop

~Kobayashi Issa

What a strange thing! to be alive beneath cherry blossoms.

~Kobayashi Issa

Carrying a poppy he passes through the quarrel.

~Kobayashi Issa

Reflected in the dragonfly's eye -- mountains.

~Kobayashi Issa

In spring rain a pretty girl yawning.

~Kobayashi Issa

Don't worry, spiders, I keep house casually.

~Kobayashi Issa

O snail Climb Mount Fuji But slowly, slowly!

~Kobayashi Issa

Summer night-- even the stars are whispering to each other.

~Kobayashi Issa

Listen, all creeping things, the bell of transience.

~Kobayashi Issa

Arise from sleep, old cat, And with great yawns and stretchings...
Amble out for love

~Kobayashi Issa

Here I'm here- the snow falling.

~Kobayashi Issa

In the city fields Contemplating cherry-trees... Strangers are like friends

~Kobayashi Issa

In this world we walk on the roof of hell gazing at flowers

~Kobayashi Issa

The world of dew is the world of dew. And yet, and yet--

~Kobayashi Issa

Red morning sky - snail, are you glad of it?

~Kobayashi Issa

There is no stranger under the cherry tree.

~Kobayashi Issa

All the time I pray to Buddha I keep on killing mosquitoes.

~Kobayashi Issa

Even in warmest glow how cold my shadow

~Kobayashi Issa

before the gate -- my walking stick's made a river of melting snow

~Kobayashi Issa

Don't kill!... The fly is asking you To save his life By rubbing his hands together

~Kobayashi Issa

Moon, plum blossoms, this, that, and the day goes

~Kobayashi Issa

Where there are humans, You'll find flies, And Buddhas.

~Kobayashi Issa

Dry creek glimpsed by lightning

~Kobayashi Issa

Take a nap Making the mountain water Pound the rice.

~Kobayashi Issa

Don't weep, insects -- Lovers, stars themselves, Must part.

~Kobayashi Issa

Not gifted with genius but honestly holding his experiences deep in his heart, he kept his simplicity and humanity.

~Kobayashi Issa

On the Death of his Child Dew Evaporates And all our world is dew...so dear, So fresh, so fleeting

~Kobayashi Issa

Even with insects - some can sing, some can't.

~Kobayashi Issa

Face of the spring moon- about twelve years old, I'd say.

~Kobayashi Issa

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