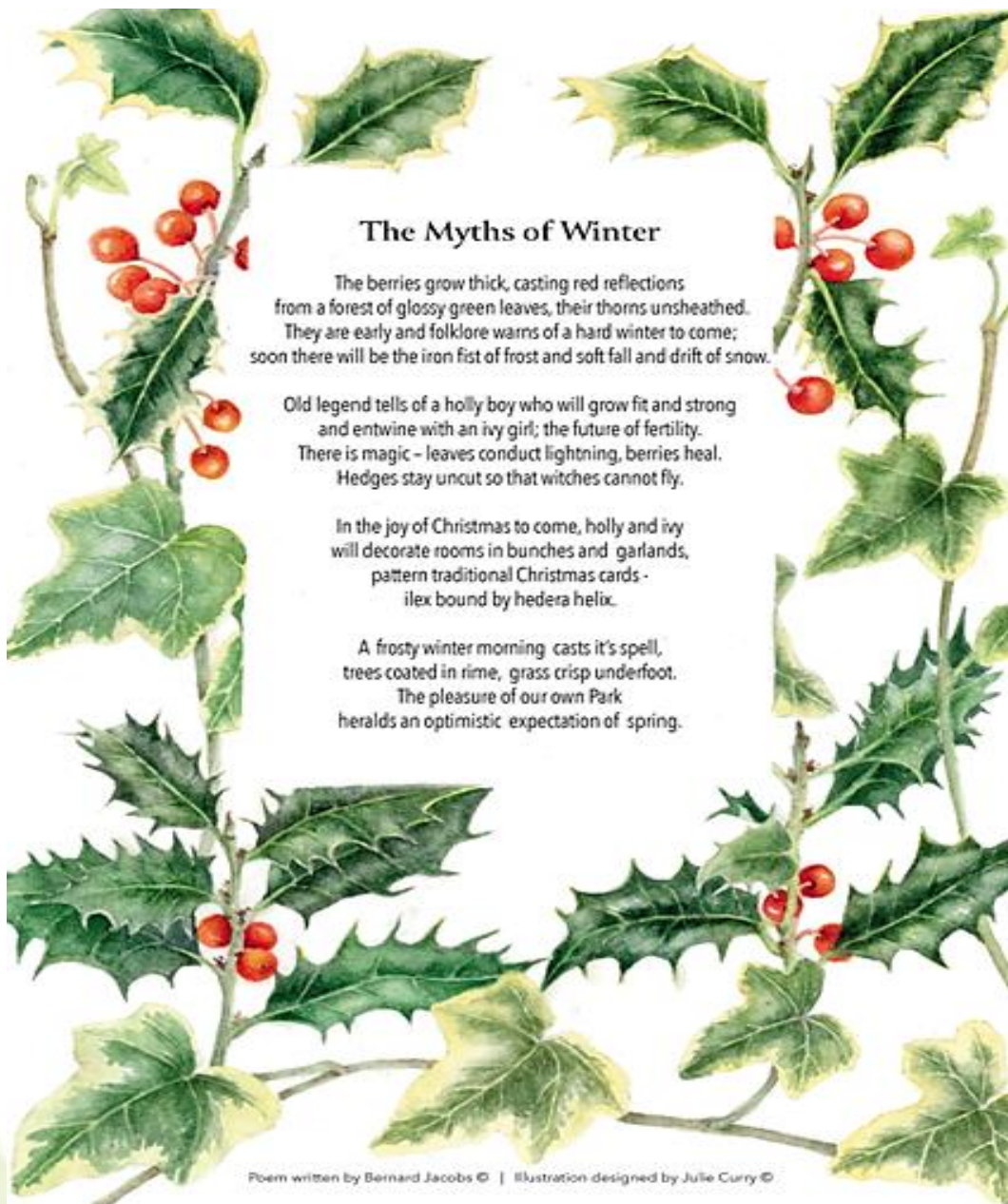




## FRIENDS OF QUEEN MARY'S PARK WINTER NEWSLETTER

### CULTURE COMES TO QUEEN MARY'S PARK



We have two longstanding local residents and park users who very generously suggested supporting an initiative for the park. Bernard Jacobs is a very accomplished poet and Julie Curry is a brilliant artist. They have combined their skillsets to produce this poem and illustration. This is the first of a series of combined poems & illustrations planned for 2024. We are all delighted with their unique work and would like to thank them for their ambition and contribution.

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## **RECENT PARK UPDATES**

We have had a busy series of events during the Summer including:-

1. We held a weeklong photographic exhibition organised by Moses Baako. This showed a visual timeline of the park and how it has changed significantly over the years. Many thanks to all the park users that contributed to the success of this exhibition



2. We organised another very well attended litter pick that included our local MP and Councillor lending their hands.
3. About 20 park volunteers recently helped plant over 2,000 bulbs ready for the Spring.

## **UPCOMING NEWS**

We are hopeful that we will be able to plant ten new fruit trees – apples, plums, apricots - in the orchard area of the park, early in the new year. These are being given to us by the Tree Council. We will keep everyone updated on this initiative.

## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Many thanks to all our existing members. Hopefully you appreciate & see the benefits of membership of the Friend's group. Please renew if you are already a member. If you are not a member then we would love you to join us please contact [membership@friendsofqueenmaryspark.org.uk](mailto:membership@friendsofqueenmaryspark.org.uk). Membership is just £2 per year.

## **AND FINALLY .....**

The Committee of The Friends of Queen Mary's Park would like to wish all park users and their families the very best for the impending holiday season. We hope everyone finds time to relax and enjoy themselves and to enjoy the park during these winter days.