Be inspired by Louisiana's Old State Capitol!

Write a "haiku-inspired" verse consisting of three lines, so that the first line has five syllables, the second has seven, and the third has five, for a total of just seventeen syllables. That's the formula for writing an English-language version of Haiku, a type of Japanese poetry. Then, tweet your haiku at https://twitter.com/LaOSC. Use #laoldstatecapitol - your tweet may be retweeted to our page!

Here are examples of haiku by Basho Matsuo (1644-1694):

An old silent pond...
A frog jumps into the pond,
splash! Silence again.

In the twilight rain
these brilliant-hued hibiscus -
A lovely sunset.

Here's one by Kendrick M. of Baton Rouge on the Old State Capitol:

Never a fortress.
Open to all at no charge.
Shares its history.

Read more at http://examples.yourdictionary.com/examples-of-haiku-poems.html#wtztdSjz7QqFKVu.99