A sonnet for V-Lambda

This year we see the lovely eye up close, with blue, grey, green, black, brown or olive tinge, the primary organ of our human sight.

The mix of cones: short, medium and long, provide the colour that our brains perceive.

To quantify the wavelengths that we see, one century V-lambda made its way — a plot and curve of special measurements, that shifts the world into our frame for good, aligns the world around us with our own.

Turns values radiant to luminous, and watts per metre into lux — tada!

A celebration of the science now, V-lambda take your place among the stars.

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