

Poetry Series

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I'm a recreational writer working my way through school. Poetry helps me to pass the time and it gives me a way to express myself. I welcome all compliments and constructive criticism. Any feedback helps me to become a better writer.

# A Confession

The truth is; that  
i don't know if I could stand  
to live a day without you  
and I don't know what I would do  
without your smile to pull me through  
I don't know who I would be  
without your arms around me  
i don't know if I could fight  
remember who was wrong or right  
all I need is just to see  
if you could live without me  
because I doubt ill ever find  
a better girl to give my time

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# A Good Friend

a friend is gone today  
a voice no more to hear  
whose life, cut short  
ran closely to our own  
not enough to break  
our own ties to the world  
but enough to remind us  
that they are there

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# A Perfect Day

It's like walking over glass  
all our time slipped past  
life flies way to fast  
so I'm still living in the past  
your eyes well up with hate  
and make it hard to concentrate  
is there something more to this  
than what my eyes can see  
so what, you slipped and fell  
but sorry. I couldn't tell  
those tears in your eyes  
they catch me by surprise  
words I never knew to say  
ruin another perfect day...

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# A Sincere Prayer

When I was young  
The world was simple  
Problems had solutions  
I could hear God's voice  
And I knew right from wrong  
But as I aged, I saw the world  
And the hand of the almighty was absent  
I've seen men die  
On the inside and out  
I've seen good people change  
Do most hurtful things  
Oh God  
The people who teach in your name;  
They know nothing of you  
Those who call themselves your followers  
They have never seen your face  
I don't pretend to be any better than I am  
I subscribe to no doxology  
But I know you were here  
I remember what you've done for me  
Jesus please choose to live in me  
Use my hands to cure the sick  
Use my wealth to feed the hungry  
Teach the world by my actions  
What you can do with an open heart  
A willing spirit, and eyes set on you

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# Alive

My whole life I've been trying to rewind  
Back to another place and time  
A place like home where I feel alive

But somehow things have changed  
My priorities completely rearrange  
Feels like I'm out of that cage

You make me feel so energized  
My heart you've mesmerized  
And now at last I feel alive

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# America

America is Gone  
slipped into the sea before dawn  
she left the world today  
seems like it isn't the same

to the pages of history she belongs  
like Rome she's left and gone  
to guide us no more  
or give us a reason to fight for

America is gone  
like the words of an old song  
the world has changed  
with nothing to blame  
we have to move on  
and learn a new song

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# And Here I Remain

I wish I could dance or sing  
But those talents were never given to me  
To express myself in a song  
Is something I will never know  
As well it is with rhythm and coordination  
Those things I've also never had  
Confidence, so far from my reach  
Holds me down  
Determined to keep me from reaching greatness  
I lack charisma, and charm  
I am forgettable in all ways  
But in these words  
No one can see my face  
Ink and paper have not yet captured the sound of my voice  
In those things I may continue to live  
My face lost to endless time  
My voice failing on deaf ears  
But my soul will remain  
My mind forever sealed in the pages of a book

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# Apology

When we fight  
I just can't feel alright  
It keeps me up all night  
No sleep before morning's light  
You mean far too much to me  
To go on acting wistfully  
And fighting about stupid things  
When you're what I really need  
It gets hard sometimes  
I've been waiting my whole life  
But tomorrow I can't hide  
Behind false joy  
A white pill can provide  
I'll go on waiting for you today  
And as long as you're away  
But I need to say I'm sorry dear  
Losing you is my greatest fear

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# Church

Father who am I  
Or who are you for that matter  
I've yet to see your face  
Or hear a sound you've directed my way  
But I do feel when you touch me  
How do some people speak with certainty  
About who you are and what you think  
Where do I go to church, what do I believe  
You've given me such choices, and they all seem  
So right, but wrong  
But you stir my soul  
Does it matter how  
Or by whose words  
A man chooses to believe  
Does it matter what name I call you  
Or the words I use to pray  
Oh father it must  
We kill each other for it everyday  
Are you not in a church  
Is your power not confined to one name  
Your influence to one faith  
But in the hearts of men like me  
Who know nothing about you  
Or where to learn  
But would like to

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# Clarity

My mind; is not confined  
To space and time  
It sometimes flies away  
Far from this time and place  
Somewhere to hide  
Scared of another sunrise  
Madness is my guise  
Through that prism, I reside  
In a place its always midnight  
Where doors remain closed  
If I will them  
They keep locked away  
Things I'm inclined to hate  
I never forget; this endearment  
My soul now concerns  
Beckons me from the cave  
Reintroduced to the world  
And my thoughts  
They now cease to swirl

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# Coffee Break

I think I need a coffee break  
just to get away from this day  
I woke up to early  
fell asleep far to late  
to feel good today  
I just need some sleep  
or a lot of caffeine

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# Days Spent Missing You

I need medication  
to stop this frustration  
its never ending  
waiting for this new beginning  
I know were on our way  
but it feels like were not moving  
not moving...  
make this easy for me  
you know I need relief  
from thoughts and dreams  
I don't want to see  
from love I cannot hide  
but I'm scared of what it has inside  
I've been here before  
down this same road  
then took that lonely trip home  
I don't want that again  
not for you and me  
you're the only one  
that I want to see

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# Dearest Jill

Dearest Jill...

When I write about you  
The words never come out  
What words could I write  
To really tell you how I feel  
Ink and paper could never say  
How beautiful you are to me  
All the phone calls in the world  
Aren't worth seeing you smile  
It's hard to wake up  
Knowing I have ten days  
Before I see you again  
What else could I say  
I'm a slave to you  
And all the wonderful things you do

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# Dreaming

when you lay down at night  
surrender yourself to the moonlight  
is it me you dream of  
in the still air of night

when creatures of the day depart  
huddle together as it grows dark  
do thoughts of me now spark  
your sleeping lips to part

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# Falling

Stand with me on this ledge  
Crawling closer to the edge  
Push me down  
Watch me fall  
To the bottom; end it all  
These lessons we never learned  
Those pages we still cant turn  
Run and hide  
But you wont find  
Your life now justified  
Or hopes and dreams still alive  
These tears you cry  
Insufficient alibis  
Can't you see it in my eyes  
I never had anything to hide  
But you were never on my side  
My words no longer justify  
The failures of your life

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# Fame

This day, has left me restless  
Laying beneath the endless sky  
Left me feeling empty inside  
It's not the first time  
When I didn't have a home  
Or the first night  
I didn't have a place to go  
Look, I don't mind  
If life chooses to pass me by  
As long as I have my pride  
Then I'll die feeling alright  
I don't need fame  
I just want to feel the rain

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# Fate

Fate, is too erratic for my tastes  
to say that life, stands by  
for some plan long ago conceived  
it seems far to easy  
though it takes the weight off of me  
my life will turn out right  
or wrong perhaps  
regardless of me

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# Forever Tonight

If the sun refused to shine  
we could live forever in tonight  
no longer constrained by time  
Imagine the things we'd see  
the things we could be  
forever in each others arms  
forever beneath the stars

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# God

Is God looking down  
From the sky each night  
Making sure the world works right  
Is it within his majesty  
To gaze his eyes down on me  
See the things I do each day  
Watch me live my life away  
Would he be proud of me  
Knowing any secret I could keep  
As I live my life today  
I hope he has reason to say  
He's proud of all the things I've done  
Even if I had a little fun

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# Haiku?

a summer breeze  
cool and dry it rolls by  
relief from summer skies

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# Helpless

I don't remember why  
I'm standing here tonight  
don't have words to say  
to keep you here another day

I want to sleep through today  
but my life is fading away  
I don't remember yesterday  
do you still feel okay?

I know you don't feel the same  
still I'm missing you today  
you could make me feel okay  
I could use you in my life tonight

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# Jealousy

Jealousy

Is eating a hole inside of me

It's a feeling I don't need

An emotion I will not feed

A bother on my life

It's just not right

It takes me from my sleep at night

Gives me nothing

Knocks me from my feet

Apathy be my guide

Send back to sleep tonight

With Jealousy absent from my life

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# Madness

From long ago  
Memories now calling forth  
Bring lessons lost in time  
Reminding of past dreams  
Hopes and fantasies  
These things steal my mind  
Wasting away over time  
Madness and jealousy  
Have now taken over me  
I'm too far-gone  
Now completely broken down  
My mind; hiding behind  
The glass of my eyes  
No longer lives in this world  
But somewhere far away  
Removed from time and space  
Not a happy place  
They hold me there  
I cannot let go; they told me so

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# My Great Awakening

This may be my Great Awakening  
The beginning, of something never-ending  
The renaissance of my soul  
A chance to live  
Before I get old  
Am I now free?  
The king of my own dreams  
To live a life without regret  
Do something no one will forget  
And be a leader in this life  
There will never be a better time

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# My Queen

It sometimes pains me  
That no one before me  
Saw you for what you are  
Surly I am the benefactor of that  
Because now its me  
Who lies with you while you sleep  
However, I know you deserve more  
You are a queen, born after your time  
With whom I am scarcely worthy to be  
Surly it is I, not you  
Who is blessed to share your company

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# Regret

the night air is cold  
your muscles ache  
mouth is dry  
stomach turning  
you close your eyes  
but sleep wont take hold  
moonlight fills the sky  
you wait for sunrise  
sometimes it's too hard to stand  
you had it in your hand  
but you didn't understand

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# Rewriting Memories

You want me to write about you  
A poem about all the things that make you beautiful  
Darling that's harder than it sounds  
Like appreciating the colors of a painting  
Rather than its whole  
You are greater than the sum of all your colors

But there is nothing I could change about you  
Your face melts me whenever I see you  
With every movement, every expression  
I am now forever yours  
A slave, who does not want to be free

The freckles on your shoulders  
Are one of my favorite things about you  
They give substance to your figure  
One of the first things I noticed about you  
They give you individuality  
And make you not only beautiful  
But unique, unlike anyone who lived before

Finally my dear  
I love how you can read my mind  
It's impossible to surprise you  
Because you somehow know me, and everything I do  
You have some intuition, about me  
You know me, understand me  
So I trust you  
More than anyone before

Oh Jillianne you've captured my heart  
But I've given you also my mind and soul  
You dominate my thoughts  
My dreams, are your dominion  
In my already chaotic mind  
I find myself adding you to every memory  
Because you should be there  
There's no moment of my life  
That wouldn't be made better with you

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# The Mundane Rose

I find Nature dull, and emotionless  
while some write poems about the colors of a flower  
I find such work mundane  
although a rose may be bright  
and colorful; with a pleasant smell  
is it not the same in all ways  
as every other flower in its garden  
and the thousands that bloomed before  
when a rose is smelled, it is the same  
as when Shakespeare wrote of it  
hundreds of years ago  
but in the curves of a human face,  
we can find something never before seen  
in nature's many years  
in her voice, sounds no ear before heard  
in her smile, I found life  
and reason, the melody  
of a song no one before could sing

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# The Sculptor

you are the sculptor  
and I am the clay  
you formed me  
into the likeness you desired  
my imperfections  
you cut away  
some do not peel away easy  
they are removed with agony  
but I trust in you great sculptor  
fine artist, make me a thing of beauty  
in your kiln, cure me with fire  
burn my insecurities away  
bring out what is great inside me  
and when you open my eyes  
look down at me  
and find pleasure in your work

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# To Be A Stone

My life has become a doorstep  
For everyone else's hopes and dreams  
Steadfast, forever holding  
To be walked over  
Just a step, a stone  
On the road to something better  
What must I do?  
To no longer be a stone  
Forever cursed  
To play lead, in someone else's dream  
Everyone has his day  
Or fifteen minutes they say  
I will accept with grace  
And then take my place  
And let some other dog  
Also have his day

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# Useless Moments

how I wish that I could skip  
the days, months and years  
that separate you from me  
it is said; that a life spent waiting  
is filled with many wasted moments  
but so far as I can see  
any number of moments  
would be worth wasting  
if they brought me  
one second closer  
to you...

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# Wasted

You know I never tried to hide  
the worst parts of my life  
I was looking up to the sky  
for some inspiration to find  
but my secrets you couldn't keep  
my scars all plain to see  
and you love to watch me bleed  
as you looked deep into my eyes  
saw the pain I couldn't hide  
when all I needed was a friend  
you just couldn't understand  
my blood is on your two hands  
too scared to help me stand  
you lost your innocence  
there's no way to hide  
your guilt comes from inside  
look back at all this time  
but you cant find a reason why  
you've wasted all your life

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# Winds Of Change

Behind my fear  
and isolation  
I'm confident  
confident  
you cry, because  
you can't understand  
I'm just getting older  
the tide is turning  
we have no choice  
only still wishes  
the tide is turning  
it turned me away  
don't lose your mind  
before the weather changes  
and winds of change  
bring me back to you  
now to stay

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# You Think I'M Someone Else

Forgive my inexperience  
And lack of eloquence  
I've never done this before...  
Could we slow this down  
I'm catching my breath  
You know you've taken it away

But I don't know your name  
It doesn't matter to me  
Some things were meant to be  
You ask all the right questions  
I've lost myself in your eyes  
The softness of your skin  
Our hearts beat to the same melody

It's hard to speak  
But you've seen my thoughts  
Read my mind through open eyes  
I can't dance or sing  
But you still want me  
You think I'm someone else  
Someone I've obviously never seen

Refresh my memory  
Will you spend tonight with me  
Run through my dreams  
And forever be my something  
You had to be made for me  
You make me wish I could sing

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# Zero

The score stands  
At one to zero  
We don't need a hero  
But it doesn't help  
Feeling like zero  
The sky is falling  
World has ended today  
Will you wake up  
Kicking and screaming  
Or let life slip by  
While you're still dreaming

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