## **Footprints**

Soft touches

Unload

In a deep commitment

That goes

Again and again

Persistent

Until a figure

Looks past

At the marks

That are fading fast

A forgotten lifespan

### Just His After All

The easy target

A fools victim

Willing a circumstance

through uncommitted desertion

Is what I am

What I have chosen to observe

point blank

After all he came

With an unattended plan

To take me there

Within a haven of trees

Long and fortuitous each

To speak so freely

Their frankness though

not so freeing to me

Once you see

I am not there

Not an existence

Or a person to him

Not anymore anyway

For I am only his to commit

Be the extension

Of where his pleasure elicits

As a tool

A contributor

An observer to consider

A companion that acts through confusion

To this witness protection

Covering up and protecting

For what he knows isn't right

Which continued

Even past its prime

Unmasking us both

In our youthful pride

Until we branch off

To go back to our own lives

That moment

Now just his

I only wish for myself to distance

Being unconvinced

It ever went on to exist

# For Alyssa

From the start

You only saw the darkness

Its empty abyss

To envelope your existence

But I will show you

There is still a glimpse

Of those clear, blue skies

Waiting to be spoken about

In your lifetime

They only need to be nurtured

Self-assured

To carry the weight

Of your emotional burden

Even if only for a little while
It will all be worth it
Just so you have your moment in time
Free from the disappointment
Your mind confides
And to choose whatever you like
As soon as it arrives

Troubled soul
Who struggles
More than anyone else I know

### **Temporary Misplacement**

Out on the hilltop We sit together Above the park To hardly talk Of anything going on Not the least of which is How I was talked into it To participate In his glowing review That my opinion Obviously had no use Bouncing off Back to him again In a cycle of miscommunication Missed opportunity Right in front of him For this man Is otherwise consumed Getting invested

By his own predilections

No longer uncertain
To question what should be done
As if it were meant
To be that open
Completing our time together
In that little corner
Of the world
I secretly despised
Now that I know why

#### Waterworks

Chugging softly
The lone abider
Enters the field
Of snakelike pauses
Wrapped around
this puget sound
All snug
So it can make its rounds
The back and forth
Between two distant terminals
That is unending
Keeping themselves in attendance

While a shuffle of people carry their dead weight In body bags
Stretched up In a familiar look-alike game Hanging around
To keep the ferry In its usual lane

The scene shifting
To constantly replay