# Perspectives and Personalities

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# **Dedication**

I dedicate this anthology to my late maternal grandfather who was fond of poetry.



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#### As She Spun

I watched her as she spun
In a garden full of daisies
With a few thorny roses
And a ribbon running lose in her hair

I watched her as she spun
In her navy blue dress
With golden locks, dancing
And a ribbon running loose in her hair

I watched her as she spun
In euphoria she was
With relaxation on her face
And a ribbon running loose in her hair

I watched her as she spun Knowing well I couldn't be with her As my darkness would erase her light And a ribbon running loose in her hair



#### **Come Back To Me**

I felt so lonely after you left me
You are the only one who made me sad
We spent so much good time together here
You have been away from me for some time

I want to be together with you now
I want to revive those moments again
Why did you leave me alone by myself
I have no one to have good moments with

I want you to come back to me
I want to see your faces again
Please, for the sake of me, come back to me
You don't have to live far away from me

You're the only one I share my thoughts with Please, for the sake of me, come back to me



#### **Seasons as Personalities**

Her hardships were so bitter, Which shattered that weak heart of her Her manner so evil, But inside she's feeble Her name so magical, But her cruelty so brutal She is called "Winter". Her aura so uplifting Her smile so dazzling Her spirit so encouraging Her gratitude so overwhelming She is called "Spring". What makes her presence so divine Is her mind that is so alive She makes the world see How her soul is so free She is called "Summer". Her nature so calming, Yet her appearance so intimidating Her words so gentle, Yet her mood so unpredictable She is called "Autumn".



# They Say... But I Am Me

"Why don't you speak?" they say...

"Don't you have a tongue?" they say...

"Look at them, they're so much better than you", they say...

Do I have a say? No

How could I have a say?

How could I cry when they'll say I have a weak heart?

How could I put up a smile on my face when there's nothing left in me?

But all those words that I silently cried for

Do not define my worth

Because I am unique

I am me



# **A Sole Blossom Tree**

A sole blossom tree Growing only in bushes With pretty flowers



# **Nature**

The natural vibes
A person gets in his mind
Is just the best thing

A door open wide

Lets in the beautiful breeze

Of the cold autumn



#### **Just Imagine**

Just imagine a perfect world

Where people only love

What is hate? What is crime?

What is injustice? What is evil?

Mankind would not know

Just imagine a perfect world

Where people don't assume things

Where people don't live to impress, but rather express their thoughts

But here I am

Looking through a locked window

With tears staining my scarred cheeks

And the midnight sky engulfing me in its eerie darkness

Telling me that there is nothing like a perfect world

And that the only place that can be perfect,

Is the one inside your head



#### I Cannot, But I Can

A forest around me

Evergreen, lush, mighty

It is pathless

Where shall I go?

It is overwhelming me,

An eerie jungle

A sparkling, enormous waterfall

I see in the distant

Its waters calling out to me

But I cannot,

I cannot advance

Suddenly, birds chirp

Then squirrels squeak

The forest turned into a magical realm

A golden butterfly flies towards me

It lands on my hand and whispers to me,

"You can do it"

It leads and I follow

I can hear the twigs crushing beneath me

I can hear the birds, squirrels, and deers encouraging me

The waterfall is becoming nearer and nearer

Finally, I'm here

The waters are gushing

It appears powerful

I touch them and they pull me in

I shower in the vast waters

And come out as a being that has flourished

The forest praises me

I look back and the discomfort seems long ago

I advance towards the high mountain with ease

And enjoy the breath-taking view below



#### A Conversation between the Heart and the Mind

The heart and mind never agree
Heart says he's the one
Mind says there'll be better
Heart says he looks at you alone
Mind says he's trapping you in his gaze
Heart says he'll ask about your test
Mind says it's been the whole day
Heart says he'll fall in love
Mind says it never takes too long
The heart and mind will never agree



# Ego

Maybe it was for the better

Somewhere in between now and then

The calls became brief

The texts became uninteresting

The meetups became delayed

What happened, I know nothing

The hearts couldn't let go

But the minds became egoistic

So egoistic that even a proper goodbye was not needed

Maybe it really was for the better