

Poetry Series

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Jessie was born in Illinois, where she fostered a love for writing, and the outdoors. As a classically trained musician and dancer since a very young age, she's written essays, poems, and music and lyrics to her own songs throughout her life. Jessie earned a B.A. in English and Political Science from Illinois State University, and now lives and works in Washington, DC, as she pursues her Master of Public Policy at Georgetown University.

Jessie's writing conveys a passion for magic realism; incorporating the surreal, scientific elements, nature themes and colors heavily into her work. The personification of cities and objects, as well as expressing emotions as color hues is characteristic to her poetic style.

In May 2018, she began writing one haiku poem per day, for 100 days. All of the haikus from the project are shared here, as well as on Instagram under her handle: @hts

Backroom Embrace

we embraced in that
backroom of books and boston
whispered, "this is it"

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Begin

I'll see you always
dress shirt, candles, flowers held;
waiting to begin

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Change

symphonies of signs
rain down urging change—it's time
but will you listen?

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Dazed

chicago dreams of
night sky dazed by golden grid;
eyes reflecting home

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Monologues

when you're down, countless
monologues surround you that
tell of struggle too

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Scribbled Word

souls, veins woven through
months of scribbled word where we
planned for the ages

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Simple

when I get tired of
the hows and whys of being
you make it simple

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Wheat Fields

driving past wheat fields
when I am lost, but found through
music-filled daydreams

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