

## **Bubble Guard**

When you're alone and life is making you lonely You can always go Downtown

A cold environment with straight lines that crisscross Closed, hard forms

DO NOT ENTER

Barriers erected signal private and public stacked one on top of the other

Innately rude
Making zero eye contact
Speaking to no one

Standing tall and in the way
Purposefully spiked edges of inhospitality
Blocks, cornered in and on
are Legos fused with glue

However, nothing is fixed, the glue can be unstuck There is no comfort in the familiar, a distrust a line, a view, a pathway the next day a void, an obstruction

When the dog bites/when the bee stings/when I'm feeling sad/I simply remember my favourite things and then I don't feel so bad



It's important to find the bubbles floating within
A bubble is made of companions
and acts as protection
A safe zone

To be encircled dulls the hostility

It grows and shrinks
But, if tended to, the bubble should not pop

Sometimes the bubble is full, it can take no more But mostly it thrives the bigger it gets It softens the rigidity of its surroundings

No time to search the world around 'Cause you know where I'll be found When I come around

Smaller bubbles may form and separate
Floating off in various directions
retaining the memory of the lane they travelled
And the possibility of rejoining, which is very likely
As it is known that nothing is fixed

-- Lyndsay Pomerantz