

In My Fake World: Laurie Wilson

The TV news is always grim
With wars and global warming;
Inflation's up, and off the coast
Another cyclone's forming.

We also live in hi-tech times
Where real and fake keep swapping.
So maybe the solution is...
The world needs photoshopping!

I'd like to enter cyberspace
And make a new normality.
I'd make a fake but perfect world
In virtual reality.

In my fake world there's lots more love
And no war in Ukraine
I've given Biden back his youth
And Donald Trump a brain.

And when we turn the TV on
We only hear good news.
And if we open up our blinds
We all have harbour views.

And when we make our trip to work
It's fast because the traffic's
Not the real thing any more,
It's all computer graphics.

And everybody's smart enough
To join the cognoscenti.
I'll even have the body that
I had when I was twenty.

But best of all the poetry
Will not be made by me.
To write a perfect little poem
I'll use ChatGPT.