

Can We Describe What is Lost

By Cathy E.

I am told "you're just a baby" but I feel those days don't quite make it my way. Growing up fast, being responsible and taking care of others were ways to grow up. Not playing in sand and dirt, roughing up my skin and skirts and getting a few bumps and bruises.

Instead, I was kept away with only news, religion and discipline.

What happened to running like the wind?
Cawing like the crows, being free with time.

How can I miss what I never had the chance to live and do as a child?

When I was a child.

But I do miss what I did not have.

For my imagination, interaction and exposure to childhood created it all around me to see through others' eyes.

I try though but I am older. I still have to be responsible, I still grew up too fast and I care too much for others. Now I can experience childhood through the eyes and interaction with my daughter.

Alienation

by Peter Salzmann

Everything is different now.

They are all gone, most are dead for certain.

Memories are vague,

but it would seem that everything I thought,
most of what they told me,

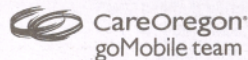
and all my basic assumptions were wrong.

I have very little to do with that person;

I am, in fact, somebody else.

The world I believed in wasn't really there;

so I am someone else living on a different planet.



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