

# FOUR AND TWENTY

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# HELIO'S WRATH

His glorious majesty and his  
frightening mass ...

He burns they who underestimate  
and think him folly.

LORENZO A. RIDDLE

# SPRINGTIME TOES

Long golden hair  
the girl is so innocent.  
She feels the earth beneath  
for the first time, part of her.

JORDYN BROWN

# MAKEUP ROUTINE

Dabbing over my imperfections

Covering up my insecurities

Blending in desires

Setting it with confidence to face the outside world

SHELBY LUX

# SHATTERED MEMORIES REMAIN

Looking through pictures of us  
What we had is gone forever  
Thinking about it hurts  
Thinking about you hurts more

SAVANNAH MCKEE

# DANCERS

We must move our bodies  
Exactly how they tell us to.  
We are marionettes without strings.

KIARA McADAMS

# LOST WITHOUT INTENTION

Perfect picture painted  
Of unique design and beautiful elegance  
Swiftly carried beneath  
The moon

RYAN HINER



# A MASSIVE, EXORBITANT, UNABASHED SILVER SPOON

No insurmountable obstacles

Never a hard day's work

Still complaining

Stop that

GAVIN KELLY



Victory was at hand.  
But the gleaming figure, bruised by the moonlight,  
saw his chance,  
and gave his life away.

ERIC CHASE

# MOLLY'S MISTAKE

Monday,  
Molly Mocked My Mistake  
Mainly, My Malapropism Made Molly Mad.  
The feeling is Mutual.

JESSICA BOLTS

# THE WAY IT WORKS

*Always last*

*Sometimes forgotten*

*Never informed*

*The life of the youngest*

VIVIAN WILLIAMS

# TWICE DONE

In the sand  
Each speck represents a memory  
That fell from my broken hourglass  
To join the rest of my regrets

KATELYN LELINSKI

# I DON'T WANT TO GROW UP

How I wish I could be younger  
To nap, laugh, and cry  
No judgement  
Oh, to be innocent again

OLIVIA BLACKLOCK

# STRUGGLES

Erasing my thoughts  
A thousand times  
My heart longs for freedom  
But the stars mock me

CONNIE WONG

# EDGE

The sun sets over the ocean,  
The edge of the world.  
It exists? No,  
But it still feels like it.

HAILEY HUTCHINSON



# THE TRUTH ABOUT FEAR

Fear is a comical idea.

Fear is something good.

Fear is not something to regret.

It may be our savior.

KATRINA SHEUFELT

# LESSONS

These thoughts aren't mine  
the ones that fill my head  
my mind telling me something  
my body blatantly ignoring it.

CHRISTIAN BAILEY-GILLIAM



Soccer is the best sport  
but it is forgotten here  
why does that happen  
'cause football is its fear.

LUAT NGUYEN



Chills rushing through my body  
Quickly fading to warmth  
And now I'm flying  
In the refreshing clear and crisp liquid

LYNSEY JOCHUM



I always thought  
You loved me  
I know that was never true  
It was all a deadly lie

MARIAH Himm

# CLOUDS

Tears fall  
From the heavens above  
Yet we see nobody  
Weeping

TREVOR A. COOK

# STILL

Sweet fragrance of bloom  
lingers  
from two red roses,  
wilted.

MADISON OBERG

# SHE IS MINE

the sun in my sky  
her sweetness knows no bounds  
her heart, mine other's half  
she loves me, I know

JAMES LINDERMAN



# COMPETITION

To win first?

It actually doesn't matter much to me,  
I'm not arrogant.

Though it sure does have a ring to it.

RACHEL GALLEGOS

# WHAT'S THE WORST THAT CAN HAPPEN?

just do it  
it's not peer pressure  
it's just your turn  
no one will ever know.

HUDSON CLARK

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