

Poetry Series

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A Humble Mumble

</>Pebbles in my path
stubbles on my chin
mindsets i cannot change
keep me on a stumble

a good clean smoke
my tokes every evening
dreams inside my mind
help me bumble on

gentle wisps of breeze
cool scents of the morn
twinkles of the night
give my slumber fuel

hope that never fails
friends i can trust
love that constantly flows
keep me going on

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Anna's Gopher

anna i truly
would not presume
to be altruistic
but a wish is a desire

light me a candle
make it glow
for you make me know
how sublime is a fable

once there was this gopher
living in a tunnel
an there were all these neighbours
living in THEIR tunnels

in the dark of the underground
they all lived in peace
scratching out a living
in their peaceful bliss

then one day our gopher
he decided to explore
the whys and wheres of going
in the ups and downs of underground

truly, he told himself
there has to be something doing
than my scratching out my living
in my own underground

and his desire for knowledge
led him overground
but blinded by the light
he fled underground

(That should have been the ending)
but anna i think you want more
later he crept up
and learnt of night and day

and slowly he kept learning
and learnt of night and day

and one day he said
i shall knock on doors
to reveal all my knowledge
to tell of light and dark

For for sure he said
there's definitely more color
than than the color black
and that they need to know

so they called him a vopher
cause they claimed he had visions
he said, they said, there were colors
other than shades of black

they left him to his dreaming
of a seagull named jonathan
and said it was rich to his back

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Cool Confidence

gentle breeze blowing low
where have you been
the flowers are asleep
and so are the birds

my children went to bed
a while ago
we looked to see you
but i made them go

its been so dry so hot
over here
without you to cool
and make us aware

how wonderfully nature
takes care of things
what was hot
is now so cool

summers bane gotta close
the clouds begun gathering
your cool gusts
give me confidence

that without me
and without you
time will keep rollling
natur'll take care

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Fallen Leaves

In the silence of the forest
once upon a time
a tree put out a few green leaves
soft as soft and green as green

but no one ever knew
and no one ever cared
what became of them
those few tender leaves

they grew up in their silence
listening to the flow
of the waters and the winds
of the rains and the storms

they fed their tree
and helped grow fruits
which fell unheeded
on the silent earth

and one day
when their time was ended
all those leaves we know
fell onto their dear earth

from whence they grew once more

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Fine Vision

</>its nice if you know
where you want to go
i always wish i did
i mean know where to go

i read these books you see
they show me nice ways
and tell me a lot
about how to go

and there be many
nice people you see
who are always ready
to tell me what to do

i'd love to go
where I want to go
if only I could get to move
out of this seat of mine

it's so nice and comfy
sitting where i sit
the world looks so safe
and i am always happy

but i really need a vision
so they all tell me
else i will not achieve
the great things i ought to have

so i hope not too soon
to get a slow move on
and get to get things done
to be a man of vision

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Friends

a time we shared
when we all smiled awhile
an' grinned at each other
o'er the things we did

but now here i sit
wondering where you are all gone
alone in my armchair
i ponder those long times

many a time i still feel
those pangs of pain
tiny twitches in my heart
so i keep trying to forget

else my thoughts will try
and lead me astray
from my here and now
to those never ever days
with my friends

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I Loved Her So

she was a porcelain beauty
whiter than the whitest snow
clearer than the clearest stream
sweeter than the sweetest cream

I loved her so

I dreamt of her
in my dreams
thinking of her
in all my thoughts
carrying her
in my deepest heart

I loved her so

and then one day
I made my move
went to her and told her so
how much I loved her

I loved her so

and she said
who be you
i know you not
please let me be

I loved her so

the china didn't crack
the snow's still white
the streams's still clear
an' the cream's still sweet

I love her so
'cause she's now my mate.

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I'D Rather Forget

the sad face of truth
is a bitter pill to swallow
oft it's something i avoid
rather'n face by myself

like a forgotten friend
you meet after the many years
and at the precise moment
you forget his name

oh sad oh sad the times
i get into these ones
and later i pick over my thoughts
to pick out that one name

and out it pops from nowhere in my brain
to pain me further
because it was no longer then

so I'd much rather forget
than remember that when
as in this now
when i missed a line back then

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Love Divine

Oh Love Divine!
Truth everlasting,
Light of my life and Friend for eternity
give me your Grace
teach me your Love
Grant that I too may share in Your Love for my fellow men

Oh Love sublime!
give me your Strength
to Bear with a Smile, any pain and suffering
I may come across
and to give Strength to Others
to Share and to Support

Oh joyful Love!
give me your Smile
Teach me to Laugh,
to find fun and happiness
in all things I come across

And oh when You reach out Your arms,
may I always be there

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Love Road

A time is coming,
Not too far ahead
Sooner than I thought it would
When I'll have to meet my maker within
I hope I will meet in peace with him
And be able to make amends again
Sadly singing songs within
I hope up keep your smile within
All those years I spent with you
Are all that I have with me
Love I never new before
Except the whole lot I learnt from you
Never did I tell you this
But you made me the MAN I am
Often I have harassed you
Kept you weeping
Kept you waiting

Longing for my lonely return
Evenings you have wasted

Never ever did I know
How often you wanted me there for you
All my life I had this dream
Of being a glorious wondrous person
And never realised I was always that
When I was with you all those times

But now that time is gone away
And I am nearing my end of the road
The road that many others did
And which many more will

But at least now I want you to know
I never missed you all my life
As much as I will miss you
For all eternity

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Mosquitos, Wine And Summer

Under the wet tree
I sat and pondered
The mysteries of life
Flashed before my eyes
And I kept wondering'
The yonder blues were crazy
I was in a quandary
Why was the same feeling
Crawling all over me?
Why was it that I
Was the empty one
The great great chasm
Lay before me
And I was pretty scared
Why oh why me
Tell me a story
Make me a promise
Don't leave me here
I don't wanna go
Take a turn left
I will remain behind
Let's all get together
I'm ready for a show
The narrow narrow blades
Of grass and straw
Leave me behind again
I just don't wanna be
The other one here
Let it all be here
I'll remain satisfied
With here and now
Of time left alone
Dreams lie shattered
Thoughts remain unsorted
Take me a time
To sit all alone
Build a life now
Take a few chances
Sort all the scattered

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Rush

as i was writing
i felt a little blow
something seemed to show
a little bit too slow

i looked o'er me shoolder
but culdna see nonna
i thoght it mighta beena dreema
an it mita beena thotta

but just to make sure
i looked over once more
but a slip of my shoulder
must have made my intention clear
because it was gone

so hera i am a vaitin'
lookin and simpli sittin'
hopin and stil vaitin'
hopless litl hopes

look, I made a statement
it does not need a meaning
the fact that you are still here
is all that matters now

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Speedy Winds

There is a dusty summer coming up
I can smell it in the air
the powders have begun to settle
the leaves are beginning to gray

soon the soil will begin to dry
and the grasses will fall flat
stamping will be easy
but the times will get harsh

water will soon disappear
i worry for my hair
the dusty summer's beginning here
and i have nowhere to go

once long ago, i hear tell
summers wouldve been cool
now no longer they fear
will we ever see that cool

the crickets have also gone now
the nights are noiseless too
no more croaking frogs
for the streams are dry too

too many roads have been built
and too high the houses too
nowhere for the earth to drink
to sate its need for water

what is not given
will never ever be got
what once was taken
can not always be returned

by disregarding the future
and by forgetting the past
i am now creating an awful yesterday
for my tomorrows today

will I ever forgive myself
for taking the things i took
with no thought for my selves
and no fear of my destiny

the harsh dusts now swirling
will one day call me
to blow away like them
and go the places they go

when that day comes i hope
my memories will blow away
my fainthearted fascinations
that which wasted my destiny

i hope future generations dont curse me
for my casual indifference
and for the causal influences
nor curse my birth to nature

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Tailing Tale

in the garden of the east
i saw the pink fairy fly
sparkling trails i saw her leave
as i've seen in picture books

fascinated by this wonder
i followed through the woods
as though guiding me in a dream
it gently slowly led me on

through the garden of the east
into woods and fields
by the brooks and the streams
i just kept on going

wondrous were those sights
of lovely flowers and heady scents
'twas a fairy tale garden indeed
an' i thought it all a fantasy

humming bees and butterflies
led me to that tree
where i saw my fairy perched
on a tiny flower

on that magic pear tree
hung two magic pears
it was not for me i knew
it could have been for you

the air was a sharp delight
the wind was crisp and light
the colors of the evening
had drawn together there

in that magic moment
as me and the fairy stared
the air went suddenly still
and the pears went out of view

it was nothing but a twinkle
like the glitter on a diamond
a beauty to behold
but never to be held

fairy tales have meaning
its always been so
still, for all my searching
i don't find none in here

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Time

Time flies on wings
Gliding high above
in your every dream
Flashing down the valley
when you're in a hurry

Or gently moving on
In your daily life
Actually all the time
Be it spurt or slide
Make it fast or slow
It isn't really so

Time, it keeps on passing
At it's steady rate
It ain't slow or speeding
That just was our imagination

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Tribulations

Walking hand in hand
Waiting by my side
She waltzed alongside
While I pondered

How many seasons
for how many reasons?
When all good feelings
Well said, told me to prevail

Why did I go away
What made me walk away?
I was always there with her
But never ever really there

It was never that way
I had eyes only for her
She was my butterfly
and always my dream bird

And I was hers too, I think!
And we had a good life together
Nits and bits yes, but never pains
Rainbow horizons never appeared
Nor did threatening storms

Quiet drizzles and hot summers yes
Violet whistles and mad drummers no
So why am I still worried
I have a normal life, but like others
I have an abnormal dream

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Uh Oh!

'Can I get you something? '

'Yes'

'What? '

'What what? '

'What can I get you? '

'Something'

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Unacrimonius

Whence by far
Be it my time
I await here alone
What I wait for
I know to me
Will return today

Be there tomorrow
My hearts beats anew
While I breathe still
Time remains strong

But once I was
Where I'll never be
Gathering my moss
And listening to breezes

Time calls me over
Tide washes over me
Mine I have abandoned
Yours I'll take no more

The yesterdays that've gone
Those tomorrow's we hope to see
How I yearn to be
Where I'll never ever be

One strange premise
One strong phrase
Will I yield no more?
What lies ahead?

Joyfully I walk
My tomorrow roads
Happily I skip along
My paths in time ahead

My spirit yearns for more
My life wants to grow

Time heals much pain
And time yields much more

Love encompasses a great deal
I for one ought to know
Being bereft of it all
And with a surfeit of love

Take my train to nowhere
Fly my horses into the sky
I'm alone on a happy ride
To my lands in yonder land

How I dare to be
And to believe, I dare
Holy acrimonies arise
In a shelter of words

But take a time to decide
If it's worth scratching at all
Best leave some things be
Life it wants to keep moving

You want to stick
You might as well move
Getting stuck in life
If a wholly unhealthy proposition.

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Waiting

the waiting game has begun
i've been into it a while now
in fact a whole lot of my life
been done doing this waiting

why, I wonder now, did I wait?
no reason really did exist
for me to have kept waiting
nobody asked of me either

now I blame others
for making me wait
telling me what I ought to do
and what I must not do

so now do I blame 'em or me?
for why I have to wait
till I get my satisfaction
there have been so many gone

and now I have only me to blame

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Wannabe

if you wannabe a wannabe
you then gotta
wannabe a wannabe

it sure makes no sense
i agree
to wannabe a wannabe

but then
who ever wans ta be
a wannabe
other dan
a wannabe?

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