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## OLD ON NEW

You came wondering into my second-hand shop  
sleek-limbed raisin-skinned saucy bright braids tight  
smooth glinting golden eyes eyeing the used stuff  
in the used shed.

Everything used but you.

Teetering on balance woman-child  
spicy alert desirous of touching trinkets  
previously-owned.

A torn and worn t-shirt a frumpy skirt scorned  
On you they would be classy lassie.

“Can I use your mirror, Ma’am?”

You don’t need it sassy lassie.

Everything on you is new.

— *Patricia L. Karwatowicz*

## NAKED, SHE IRONS

Naked, she irons  
my clothes, steaming the wrinkles  
to save me from shame.

— *Robert N. Georgalas*