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Snow Shadows, Jim Water

I Don't Need a Face
Matthew Kimball

The things that I have beared witness,
To the annoyance of ears we call noises.
And the smells too.
I have decided that I no longer require this face.
For it no longer makes do.

I wish I could wipe away my face.
Ocean eyes and rose petal lips shall be erased.
Be gone with my emotions and my race.
I will not care if you avert your gaze.
Nor do I deserve gentle grace.

No more shall I see the grayish hues.
Or show my terrible blues.
For I grow tired of all of the bad news.
No reactions or words, only blankness.
The paranoia has overtaken and left me anxious.
Do you feel nervous of my non-existent gaze?
For I grow tired of my ugly face.