

ABSTRACT

ELEGY OF TIME WELL SPENT: POEMS

An elegy is typically a mournful or reflective poem composed as a lament for someone who has died, yet it is the intent of this collection to show that each person exists from moment to moment, and that, in effect, it is these moments which should be elegized for without them the person would cease to exist. This collection, then, takes a dive into the surreal, constructing reality from where, perhaps, reality can no longer exist. It seeks to thin the veil between the living and the dead, to give voice to those moments in time which have been relinquished to memory so that they are not forgotten; this is, as such, a collection of the experiences I have had throughout my life, connecting to issues such as race, class, work, displacedness, immigration, travel and the people who have influenced my growth as a human and a poet.

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