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Once Again

The absurdities of my life continue.

I stay complacent in my faggoted shortcomings. I wallow in the sheer opulence of my misery.

I own a peevish, one-eyed cat who whines & scratches the kitchen door in constant hunger.

I'm an emotional mess on Grindr. I dedicate Odes to imaginary lovers.

My most human proclivity is crying by open windows.

Everyday, I take a selfie to convince myself of my existence.

The voices in my head are louder than the approaching trains at 11:00am.

My best defense is distance. Over the static, I'm fluent in silence.

(Hello)......(Hello)......(Hell)......(Hell)

I checked in with the therapist to check my progress. How are you? July weather is always embittered. Any recent lover? My teacups complement my heart in its emptiness. Often, love is murder with a cute name. Blah Blah Blah...

No language, no matter how soothing or monetized, can lessen the weight of my anxiety.

Lonely stranger, sit with me. Let's peruse our hurts with a tacit intent when we find language; unsufficient

and lacking.