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2 poems for CNS

### **And Tomorrow, I'm Someone Else**

Remember the  
Calgary Tower  
as the tallest building

when it was  
named after  
Husky Energy,

replaced soon  
after by the  
Petro-Can tower,

then the Suncor  
Energy Centre,  
then The Bow

built by Encana  
in 2012, but  
still not finished.

Two public  
artworks  
on the site,

required by  
city regulations  
trading in density,

a giant head  
(*Wonderland* by  
Jaume Plensa),

and "The Tree  
Hugger" (*Alberta's  
Dream* – also Plensa).

Memory sometimes  
just a fantasy  
of who we are.

Robert Bateman  
too political  
for City Hall,

but when does  
George Vancouver's  
statue come down?

He stands  
on the steps  
of City Hall,

looking like  
he discovered  
something.

## Does Your Hometown Care?

Did you bring  
this weather  
with you?

If a body expects  
a certain level  
of sunlight,

is sunlight  
just a metaphor  
for friendship?

The water  
is still there,  
but the waves

desynchronize  
against the  
shoreline.

What did  
Latour mean  
in his essay

about songbirds  
disrupted by  
the freeway?

That the distinctness  
of a place  
is just relation

tumbling together  
or apart  
in a pattern

or a logic that  
halts other  
forms of relation,

working so well  
that even Latour  
can't recognize

colonialism when  
it's described in  
his metaphors.