

Technology: A Puppeteer

A boy wakes to the ring of an alarm.
He abandoned his mother's gentle shake and voice years ago.

A student navigates a campus crowd.
Each step a measure in decibels from the silver iPod.

A woman stands in an elevator.
Her gaze avoids all carbon-based pieces positioned near her.

A man sits to dine with his closest friends.
Dialogue circumvented by vibration from his pocket.

A family swallows some TV dinners.
Separated by walls and doorknobs, the table collects dust.

We are all surrounded and entirely alone.
We are each an island with landlocked blues.
Self-imposed, self-afflicted, self-esteemed
Replaced the mirror with an LCD.