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## Visuals

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# Visuals

I like the view inside the kaleidoscope  
the little glass pieces make patterns I relate to  
a little jingle and a new one to emerge soon.

I like the cut paper  
that whorls in my hands to calm me  
giving form to a new shape to emerge soon.

I like to see the ear loops in your ears  
the rings, the stars and the dangles  
a name to the one who wears it to emerge soon.

I like the whorls in the puddles on the roadside  
intercepted by the falling rain drops  
a new elliptical pattern to emerge soon.

I need help to read the lines on your face  
they are called angry, upset or hurt  
unpredictable; but a pattern will emerge soon.

I have autism;  
help me see your view and try see mine  
Life's patterns shall emerge soon.

—Archana Kadam

**Archana Kadam** is a Developmental Pediatrician, working with autistic children for the last 16 years in KEM Hospital Pune, India. She is MD. DNB. in Pediatrics from University of Pune, Maharashtra, India and is neurotypical. Her work emphasizes family involvement, early diagnosis and intervention, and advocacy. Her work has helped her understand autism better and has inspired her to write poems; some from the perspective of autistic children.