



## Once It Stops: Poems

### Florence Fogelin

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Wise, worldly, and deft at connecting unlikely yet fascinating topics—perhaps as a reminder that poetry has no problem with String Theory—Florence Fogelin is a graduate of Duke, with a master's from Yale. Her poems have appeared in numerous prestigious journals over many years, including *Poet Lore*, the *Cumberland Poetry Review*, and *The Lyric*.

#### *Coming up Threes*

*Your eyes are seriously blue,  
so when you locked your gaze on me and,  
less than three months old,  
wouldn't let me look away,  
I wondered if they'd keep their claim  
on me and on the sky.*

*Now you're three, well-traveled,  
word- and worldly-wise.  
I cannot see myself in you:  
you're a boy,  
my eyes are almost green.*

*Seven decades separate the two of us,  
but we agree that the world is of serious interest.  
Watching apples growing on a tree,  
Watching them fall. Counting to three.*

MATT SUTHERLAND (Spring 2016)

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