

Salish Sea Jellies

Underwater beauty hitherto unseen
captured in blazing techno-colour

Wall-size rounded-corner display tank
sets surreal scene, mimics 50s TV screen

I stare at cerulean blue backlit backdrop
enriched brightness, depth unknown

Graceful indian-yellow orbs sail by
paper-thin, translucent mushroom shapes

Undulating red orange ringlets trail as
wispy streamers tied to a homemade kite

This is an ancient beauty from the dawn of time
no brain no heart no bones no lungs

Each jelly in the confined smack
glides with breath-like buoyant propulsion

Unsynchronized, conductorless floatation
as symphonic beauty unfolds

I sit and gape, gobsmacked
absorbing the ever changing scene

Its embrionic shapeshifting momentum
relaxing me into weightless joy