



2 Poems by Bharati Nayak

Paradigm of Hope

Hope is the light
that shows the way in the darkest hour
Hope is like drops of water
from heaven to the parched earth in a hot Summer
Hope is words of love and kindness
To a person in distress
Hope is like Sun
Dispelling the curtain of darkness
Hope is the spirit that gives strength in despair
With hope one can overcome life's most entangled affair
Hope is a positive energy like God's blessings
Hope speaks to poor with kindness
And speaks to the sick that
he would be cured from the disease
Hope instills in man a longing for life
Without hope
life would feel worthless and gloomy.
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The Color, Shape Or Number That Define Me

How can I define myself
By any one color, number or shape ?
Is my figure ,tall and lanky is my whole -self ?
Is it not prone to change with aging or sickness ?
My nose of medium size or my sparkling eyes
Would remain the same over the years ?
The eyes would lose their sparkle with time
Or become cloudy by sadness
Wrinkles will show here and there on skin surface
My body is mortal and will change
with the vagaries of aging process.
Oh ! How can I define myself ?
Am I bound by any one color ?
Does only the yellow sunshine appeal to me
Am I not attracted to white petals of a perfuming Jasmine ?
Do I not love the red of red-rose,
the symbol of beauty and love ?
Shall I not be attracted to green of a thick green forest
Or the soft green grass under my feet ?
Can any one not love the blue waves of a sea or the azure blue of a sky
I am God' creation and naturally attracted to colors of a rainbow
How can I be limited to one only ?
Can any one number define me ?
I am one ,but with family I become many .



My date of birth is a combination of numbers
and if we change one digit ,my birth date changes.
So a single number can never define me.
I am not limited to any one shape and color
I am a complexity of myriads and God's creative wonder!

Bio

Bharati Nayak, is an internationally recognized bilingual poet, critique and translator from Bhubaneswar,India ,Her poems have been published in about hundred books and journals. . She has published three poetry books- 1-Padma Paada (Odia language) 2-Words Are Such Perfect Traitors 3-A Day for Myself. She has co-authored three books namely Radical Rhythm ,vol-1,Vol-2 and Vol-3 and worked as the Editor for Radical Rhythm Vol-3.

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