

# Healers

Healers don't always look like healers.

Healers sometimes look like fixers—  
you know—  
the engineers who build  
monuments in their minds  
who see the heart  
as a pump  
and the lungs  
a spring.  
Physician or physicist?

Healers sometimes look like  
sculptors  
who see the skin as a  
canvas  
and the viscera  
a palate  
who believe in beauty  
below the bandage.  
Physician or Picasso?

Healers sometimes look like  
musicians  
who hear the adagio movement  
amid the auscultation  
and listen for the syncopation in the  
stridor  
who know the organs act in  
orchestration.  
Physician or pianist?

So if you think to yourself  
*i cannot be a healer,*  
remember the body is nothing but a  
concert hall  
incomplete without infrastructure  
and sculpture and music.

Remember healers often look like  
humans  
with hands and eyes and ears  
who transcend science  
to partake in  
symphony.

—Grace Ferri



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