


Shreyasi kudpi Rao's poem 'MASKS' features in Kloud9 magazine.

Impressive poem by our creative writer Shreyasi Rao finds its entry in the Kloud9 magazine. Shreyasi is a class XII student at The Orchid School.


Well done Shreyasi!!

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MASKS



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And we dance in twilight theatres
Acting and performing elaborate skits
Drama and black comedies
"All the world's a stage."

As we portray our different faces
Behind these bejewelled masks
A plastered smile, a hidden tear
And black soulless eyes stare back.

To fuel that dying need to hide
And shy away from feeling
We cower behind ten-foot walls
Scared by confrontation, we stab back.

Camouflaging between mundane expressions
Plain, bland
Tasteless
But our minds in tantalising turmoil
Spiralling through vice and sin
Eve's forbidden, delicious fruit.

And as curtains call and facades fall
Oblivious to the world, we lie alone
Lonely and isolated, we stare at empty walls
And when we are certain no one's watching
Masks are ripped off and touched up
No one to notice the difference
After all, it is 7 billion people and 14 billion faces.

