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Art in Motion

KATIE KRUEGER

The gallery was still
with the weight of expectation
and monumental
stillness. Everything in sight
highly valued,
most terribly fragile.

I didn't dare breathe too loud
for fear of smudging crystal glass
and clasped sweaty hands behind my back
perusing like the master critic
the cold grey hues of cloudy still lifes,
and harsh strokes of the boldened modern

Then
came the rolling,
plastic wheels on wooden floor
as none other than gallery owner
spun his granddaughter around the room
in a squishy office chair

He paused to look at me,
a twinkle in his eye
and laughter in his voice
"Afterall, we must have rides"

and the giggling girl pointed.
at her command, they rolled
into the next room,
which now housed
a joy too precious to price.