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Title: **Microstories: When Fifty Words Is Enough**

Microstories are finely crafted precisely fifty-word prose poems accompanied by a complementary illustration, richly endowed with metaphor, symbolism, and other poetic elements intended to engage the thinking mortal. They may appeal to today's hurried readers who enjoy browsable, bite-size kernels of snackable bits arousing their emotions, memories, and intellects.

My manuscript contains a selection of such poems drawn from a growing body (current count: 135) of compositions broadly reflecting a humanist worldview with undertones of humor, pathos, and intellectual curiosity. They are linked for your review at www.dandana.us/micros

Sample:

Alignment

We insist our exceptional skills, talents, planning, and intellect have shoved life's moving pieces into alignment, calling it work. We believe we have earned our good fortune, rightfully deserving its pleasures. We fail to hear the cosmos ticking, guiding us to the right place at the right time. Or not.



Sailing by Sugarloaf
exactly at sunset

Readers are urged to: browse, let your mind wander, follow it there, repeat.

I publish a Substack titled "Dan's Occasional Haiku" with 1362 current subscribers and stand ready to assist in marketing.

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