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## Audio Winners Series: Voice-Only Poetry Runners-Up

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This episode of our podcast features three runners-up in the Voice-Only Poetry category of our 2007 Audio Competition. In "the Golden Lesson," second runner-up Susan Somers-Willett gives an engaging performance of a poem rich in painterly image and metaphor, a poem both complex in its ideas, and visceral in its textures.

The third runner-up of the Voice-Only Poetry category is Eric Torgersen with "Taking Tickets." The poem defies easy classification-but we're sure you'll find this voice-driven poem, with its quirky character, entertaining.

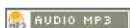
And we conclude with the fourth runner-up, Josh McDonald's "Women in Strange Trousers," a prose poem about females attired in an assortment of odd apparel.

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**Josh McDonald** is a writer, musician, and storyteller. He is currently writing his third novel. [2008]



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