

## “I Went And Said Hi”

a poem inspired by Bea Poulin’s photo, *Watching the Water*

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Well, thanks for checking on me –  
and welcome to the neighborhood,  
but, no, you'll see me here  
every day on the pier,  
staring out.

I read in a book of interesting facts  
that the human body is sixty percent water.  
I read in the newspaper it's seventy percent.  
Feels more like eighty.

Water is in your bones, even.

You feel it?

I feel it.

And I look out there and I think  
that's in us.

So, I just stand here  
and stare for a while  
every day.

I feel like the water in me  
is having a conversation  
with the water out there,  
the water flowing under this pier,  
the water in the clouds,  
all the water.

You thirsty?