Mysteries of Perspective Misty Clark

Flashing Christmas lights draped in a picture window remind me of the cheap foreign hotels in black and white movies.

I've had too many late hours and too much caffeine.

Today I am disappointed.

I am disappointed because that's the only emotion I can feel

while standing near these white, blinking eyes of Christmas.

Today I am disappointed because my hair is still too short,

my feet are too big, my mind is not quick enough, and I do not cook French food.

Today I sat amid the last four months of someone's life. I tasted his food and wore his socks, but I did not feel like him.

Belatedly, I wondered if he spent much time in hotel rooms and how it felt for him.

There is no mystery in those repetitious lights, not as hotel rooms have mystery.

The lights are the reminder of holidays too bleak to remember.