

## Blue Pacific

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(for P.Y.)

Here I am: "Hometown Boy Makes Good"  
Writes one critic.  
All my childhood I lived  
By the blue Pacific.  
Anytime that reality  
Makes me heartsick  
I come here just to stare  
At the blue Pacific  
Sea. And barefoot on the beach  
I watch for you on the horizon.  
That's where you promised you would be.  
I've seen your face before in my imagination.  
One day my eyes will learn to see.  
Here by the blue Pacific where  
The diamond water shimmers in the sun.  
By the blue Pacific where  
The gull still glides and waves divide  
The silence just like time.  
Understandably happy to be specific  
When I'm snorkeled and finned  
In the blue Pacific.  
I admire the damselfish  
Feel terrific  
As I float on the face  
Of the blue Pacific.