

summer in NYC haiku

"Black Kleenex"

Oh, New York City
Full of much dirt, sludge, and grime
I blow black boogers.

"Turning into Auto Mechanic"

Dirt in fingernails
No matter how hard I scrub
Hand me the noose, please

"Public Transpor-suck-tion"

Filthy subway cars
Homicidal feelings start
Thank god it's my stop

"Ode to Freon"

Air conditioner
Sweet manna, golden savior
I need you now, bitch

"Sominex, Please"

City of no sleep
The heat index keeps me up
Sweat in my ass crack

--*Shawnté Salabert, 2006*