

# Basic Principles of Physical Space

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a body lost in thought  
stays hopelessly lost in thought  
for as long as the latte lasts  
and the coffee shop stays open

and the moms don't gather with their baby carriages  
and the bums don't bum overly much  
and the trust funders don't lose too much  
in the stock market

and the bikers don't over-rev their motors  
and the other writers don't start quoting their own poems

