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Autistic Shackles, 2003
silver prints
16 x 20 inches each

Autistic shackles hold your little tongue
From telling me
The punch line of the joke
That caused your fits of laughter.
Although I missed the point of that jest,
I laughed myself to tears.
I've tried prying into your world of isolation,
Only realizing in your own time,
You'll let me inside.
With patience and determination,
Time will unlock,
Your small, pink lips.

