

# *Sonnet Scroll*

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## **Car Rally**

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Exquisiteness; machinery; design;  
the sweep of fashioned steel through curve and line  
does not call merely to the art that frames  
what I see parked in the downtown. The lanes  
recall eras, the dispositions of  
a set in time; the styles that people loved  
back forty or a hundred years ago  
stand as reminders so that we can know  
concepts of grace, of ingenuity,  
and usefulness embedded in beauty.  
Smooth lines, the subtle art set out, all done  
with expertise: bodies and fenders spun  
from steel; practical, useful, and yet sent  
to bring delight; not just an implement  
of service but a mirror reflecting grace  
that lived once in that time and in that place.