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by Nicole Wiesenthal

Outside,
A bronze horse statue,
A blue lion,
An old chest,
A statue of a goddess,
Holding a cup to her breast.

An old sign: Antique
Entices me more
And I look through the window
To see what's in store.

A mannequin in a Civil War outfit,
A rusty typewriter,
Oil paintings on the wall,
Hanging from the ceiling, a black spider.

Polished wood tables,
Tea cups and pots,
Drawing me closer
To this strange ancient shop.

An old, golden scale,
Rusty magnets, a gun,
And a sewing machine
That looks dangerously fun.

Chandeliers line the ceilings,
Faded rugs fill the floor,
Dresses and drawers,
And bullets from war.

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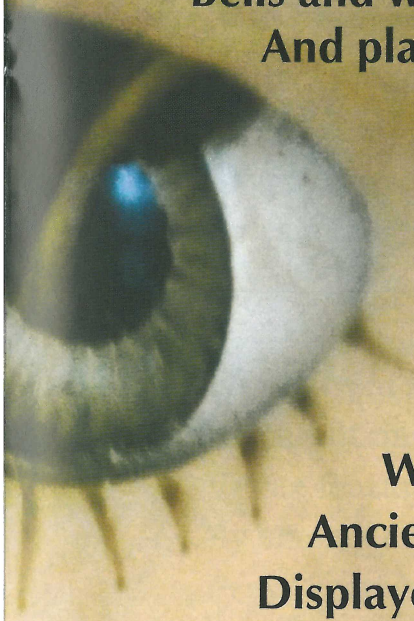
Tea trays for collectors,
Memoirs of the past,
Bells and whistles,
And plates made of glass.



Old china dolls,
dressed in satins and sash,
Timeworn teddy bears,
and trinkets from the past.

Women's Rights pins
Ancient lighters and more,
Displayed to all
In this antiquated store.

And next to a mirror
With two beautiful, golden wings,
Sits a quiet, soft woman,
As aged as her things.

She stares out wearily
At a record player and clock,
And chipped wooden soldiers,
And a giant, bronze lock.
Then she glances
Over sadly
At the large, yellow sign
That covers the window
And says:
Out of Business
Out of time.