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Figure 1: *Sea-Walkin* by Karina Beltran

## Artist's Statement

### *Sea-Walkin* by Karina Beltran

One way of perceiving this collage of film photos is the chaos of life around the world due to Covid-19. This pandemic allowed for commotion similar to what you may feel when looking at the photo. The stress and anxiety of dealing with financials, health and mental illness.

# We Used To/Now We

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We used to sit and watch the sunset  
and then the sky turned dark  
we looked at the stars and waited for our part  
A part that made our future endeavours into a reality  
A part that never came  
We watched the once cotton candy colored clouds  
Fade into nothingness as we sat behind a cold dark window

Now we watch these parts fragment into a reality  
That none of us could've imagined  
As we can't leave our houses,  
we start to lose the connections we once had with the world  
around us  
We see the amount of work we put into our own  
"I Have a Dream" speeches  
being demolished as the world crumbles around us  
it doesn't matter the work or history that is found there  
What matters, is *Change*

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