You humans cut us down.

Then are audacious enough to build highways, roads, buildings, right in front of our eyes, where our kin once stood.

Why leave us standing, when you've taken so much away from us already?

Or perhaps you leave us here to remind yourselves.

Remind yourselves about our presence.

Our existence.

So as not to forget about what we gave you.

But give nothing in return.

To look at us and admire us.

To think the thoughts of saving us.

But in reality take no action to protect us.

Taking more and more lives as time goes on.

Ignoring the protests.

Expanding your own lives, not thinking about the impact it has on others'.

We are standing straight and tall, waiting for it to be our turn.

Some of our turns will come quick, and we will be down in a flash.

Others will be left there to stand and watch as the cars zip by.