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#### **Neon Perigee**

pedigree flourescent frisk brisk nylon seminaries translucent dusk

quill feather quibble sips

muscatel's rippling seizures

by degree the closest slips measure paragon windows obsolete treasured streetlights off then

on nature's turn challenge the fleece of dividend

its nomenclature an omen

forbidding sirens from haystacks glow

the lucid sequence of searchlights

orbit the stenciled husk

immensity seeks its own warmth in trams of folklore thickets the tickets bramble freon nights in winter

music freezes water with whole tones

the half steps nearest the rail

incendiary transients loom

in essence conditioned

fluxus reflex redux

meatballs redundant harpsichord

at the seat where albacores trough

tune a fork with seed pitched light across the weigh heads turned in somber flight

aviary nuisance gone south

northward incumbents premonitory

or not as cheese maybe what moves

the score forwards lists to postal incipience intransigent stamping grounds for renewal or backward postures

bitten or eschewed

in fits of public obfuscation

whose parity knows

no advertising laments

the truisms of unstated facts

as solar actuaries degree

the ingredients hodge-podge

natal domesticity

fractious at the arithmetical root

afoot in the heretical stance

of ruffled dander fled

agriculture's fraud of dandelions amazed by simple pleasance sinful in its scaffolding

as marchers when the month comes due

or blue swamp marshes finagled

in the towers of solstice sunset

#### **Admirable Constraint**

the pentecostal fury of lemmings knows no tell-tale badger's libido

limited though it might seem to the unannointed masters of destiny drenched in penny-pinching flurries of modular polarity

their clandestine stentors tense the silence about blatant nodules

as rumor, as theory, as truth transcends the furry unknown whose pastors recite chapters perverse to primate storage stations

safely rations currency of the hybrids in their midst

#### After the Hanging

pontifical encomiums ensue the weary stuffed eerie harmonies in picture frames where the mirror lies

intersection bids the dance of inert palettes pirouettes the vision tricyclic

wheels skid farewell to dainty wind chimes dancing concerts of air

wherever the motion lies flat or sharp the same temper frames its dis-

lines accrue graphs skew their charteng impugn its spin

wall hangings synaptic to the gallery's spread of dips

chip the mode its nodule dips then leaps canvas tents

in miniature spread the lunges of breath looking eye to eye

politely speak sensory modes shifting neuroleptic

#### transmissions

leaping across the rumor's suicidal drawbridge lifts medium

#### **Notching Teeth on the Plane Grates**

Coruscating the dentally premature gives tooth to acts of generic dissidence fluent in their distant entirety. In places where the squeamish scream their druidic intent the dissonance of invention flourishes:

less begun by the fathers the prairie seekers want horizons in their midst /

a circling of wagons trained toward the future's

circular ledge.

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the sheer force of it its ambiguity. The preambles dismiss the naked pledge as.

Hortatory galvanization musters all in the call of its dreadful sweep

of pillars

#### Shakespeare in Chicago

electronic varnish ampules glitch the rocker's new penumbral flicker rhyming two-tones to saddle shoes with antlers of white bucks

or green

the orchestral arrangements steam glistening against the sweat of the august crucifix encumbered lanterns

listening

to vapors

on the heath

measured breath's empire storage facilities ample for shining beakers breaking coastal light

> testing white coats better rain amperage the non(entities)descript as anonymous others loathe to ad miss ion particle odes enamored electrodes on the sufi's whitewind whirlii-gig Hassan-i-Sabah forthwith on the sabbath of blackamoor's Shakespearean retreat brackish waters completing the ancient flow

sonnet to drama

o the lo beholds its missing el as trains rumble overhead

#### metastatic meat trolleys

tumbling locks stumbling doors

grumbling drunken efficacies

enamored of puerile glamour flaring intricacies of rue more than otter tailspins radiant flashes splashing

the dashing entrepreneurs of wet cement who listen to

secretions of telling ears lumpy midisections popularize the music's bulging riffs etiquette stiffness indulging distance

to remnant's plea

for underbelly standing

on rain-splashed curbs in dark corners

cloaking mud with cloacal etudes

portray outstanding rigor

to the mortis attacked

#### A Lessoning of History

hung sung duet offset the coker's snore years before the attenuation of faculties bestowed the gift of attrition the contrite cowed the crows in the nation's field

where all slumber enumerates the transient all particular variables cannot consist nor their insistence conclude the foregone insinuations of the deeply permitted

deviance the norm of essentials in vines of veritas whose numbers enervate the season of its living the persistent emulate their decrees

a reason freezing the fortitude of logistics pensioning numerical storms for the very bidding forms a consensus of disinformed intent

numbers content on sensations of selfreferentiality forgiving the numbness of transgression's wit amid the recycled retainers of attorneys overpowered

litigious slumbers snore transient jokers before motifs breed their muted indigence muffled against the shuffling old and their hordes of leathered pigeons

the malcontents climb the store inventory breeds itself with conjure disdaining the bold the stuffy pertaining to dissidents of stations unserviced amid the horded influx of trampolines insurgent in their springs resurgent in their urgent modalities scuffling against the pain of weather and parallels marching down the sentries of time's centurions guarded in their geometric mists amid songs of seedy fortitude

#### **Ancient Secrets**

Indigo laughter withers the sphincter petals under the hyacinthine moors. The bloodletting ensues,

bright with chicory's plunge across the jerkwater estuary, a statue white with providence, its yield tumescent. Pasts of futures unforetold await hieroglyphic ruins riddled with sphinxes.

Hyenas peddle their tragic girth amid chimerical manors, borne on weightless flurries

or the moment of its whim.

In hateful fury indigent peddlers speak moons of flowered begetting. There, let-me-nots abuse

light's explicable lunge against a staring lurk, incandescent in its omniscient flow. Beneath its cast sutures stem the obsidian ivory's glowing bone. Withholding sundials begets desire among coded fields.

The myrrh of inkblot offerings roar shock at the least unwieldy perceptions scurrying

heavily to weight its hymn to momentum's

dromedary feast. The water rises, the flood planes its red bevel. The devilish humor of deserts prevails

> dry with the lure of rain. Its glare stems the bud that nips its barren heels, trips its fast future over a slow sundial, meridian with haste.

> > Plotting stock exchanges diatonically, the greedy correct blossoms with

> > > sediment & omens that stem its climb

beyond the melodies of the sun. Forgetting its own mystery, the secret reveals itself to historic rubicons

unlettered with decay. Its pure strain seals the depth of runic privilege, locking alien vertebrae in time capsule chambers arid

> & spotted with red moss dried brown. Its blood steeps sentiment at its

> > bottom where myth & time seal all momentum.

#### **Apocalypse Later**

photosynthetic Sufis whirl neon umbilicals barbarian cries stare down triangles value face crypto-voltaic messengers crown the one true breathing through motor ellipses

and prophets shall fare their brushes

motorcades stream spinning leather sycophants emerge granting full authority to purging measures of dispute irresolute and unrequited

there the hair shall assail

womblike predicates acerbic natal union suits first national then fine asked effervescent shops to stop

the flow

of nutrients

over

purple protocols impassioned with tincture where grooms distinctly bridle instinctive tuxedo showers that hide

the secrets of Rue Nee

#### **As Moving Sound Thinks**

Somnambulatory vouchers past due seal your floor praise your stealing excessive days mount candles like mares.

Stay.

Inches flinch contiguous ambiguities defiant riot fluidities hot wax eels lock doors open.

Praise thumbs.

Mumble certainties stumble space erases mores the vacuum abhors with triplicate replication of

dextrous leaps gone digital

#### **Balancing Axe**

Metastatic cattle pry their prodding wedge. It multiplies their plodding battle, dries the flurrying cells cursing the edge of orange with teeth benighted. Alluring folds tell covens of furies, animistic with primal grief. Cold ovens bake mornings fresh with liquid sun. Taste relief in the form of prattle. Baste eclectic belief systems with carcinoma's ecstatic flay. Cinema verite's simplistic lens folds the coptic nerve against retrospective foresight. An old swerve upends the mantis praying brief pistons dance against the wind. Rescind the suture.

Of its own kind there can be no other. Without regard for the highest the mist shall dangle past rewards in the space of the other. Facing the wind's back braces no returns. Nor the taxonomy of ruin. Spacious in its lamented fist breeds ospreys. For the difference of autonomy no dependents yield. The perspicacious tax unseals its musty womb, revealing musty tunes of splendid rancor. Intuit uncommon mummies tracing leathered flesh in the music of band aids. Or the unkind angle shall deny among the last throes its humid lover.

In the static battle cry the trodding pledge. It panoply scares rotting cattle, belies the hurrying swell cursing the alleged storage of beliefs uncited. Telluric folds swell love in buried antihistamines with timed belief. Old lovers ache boring flesh, quit the one haste unleashing the storm of battle. Taste electric briefs, their pistons stiff aromas on a plastic tray. When enema verifies implicit blends hold synaptic verve against hetero-

sexuals cold, upright as old nerves intend the antics betraying grief. Sisters, stance defends their kin, the sins of lurid future.

#### Call and Response Under Crystal Lake

#### for the Middletown Creative Orchestra

ambient crystal shakes the floor's electrostatic convulsion of chickens roosting home the tenor lays where groundwork

says the sly eagle

safe in the nuance of ecstasy its subtle intent emerges a classic cacophony caffeined to its first utterance mindsurge omen momentous becomes kind urge entranced with the nape of jurassic kittens

their incessant declarations

tin-pan tympanis synth with cumulus accretions accrue syntactic betrayals sympathetic to time and monied nations immolating their successes no madder than short the time

its call to dissuade

the others obscure its truth with nurtures of motherly pensions procuring fruited loons in traces of accident the doctors seed beyond lectures of intensity

protests of plurality

conjunctions engage the sweated ones pythons of their own configuration or stature while melodies linger in stations the music of

clinch the unabetted

#### **Circling Bushnell Park**

The foregone occlusions that ossify traffic include barter as a means of crossing the arterial hem, its stationery target a pencil for alms. The poor, palms outstretched as their suffering rows, emote sanctity and exhaust.

The patience of mufflers in winter, open doors to lean, transported protrusions of sclerotic nuance against infusions of statutory denial

wherever popcorn sheds its name, decries the military rank of gasoline. Towed fumes tame their octane with virile aspersions of natural gas

breeding sameness among all the nameless that apply their visceral truths to virtual emblems, silencing the somber music of cyber-punks wearing air guitars and shoulderstraps under the hood of the

oil-burning discourse of lamplights frozen to honorariums on horses in traffic circles staring madly at passers buying unsightly memorabilia:

aquariums without fins, purchase untamed by Everest, unnamed winds in the slurred face of coherence dribbling its winter chin across capsules

of unsightly gelatin brandishing its purpose for the statements of the unwielding plurality. Chromosomes chant mercurial blather pent with flurry. Wishing for fish and pentium futures

bid sundials on the wave of the concourse. Frayed trials stray on course. Off the projected savings a bitter trajectory

# breeds denial in the airspace of the afflicted. Handwritten tomes declare the moribund more abundant in their preservation

of the vacancies

that only the cross-town

traffic can utter

#### Circling the Horizon

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#### **Amplitudes**

tracheal veracity in somnolent redux specific oceans nectar obituaries stationed mellifluous mattapans wayward dorchester orchestrations resound triggers of unsolved redundance bigger than abundant ambuscades when recumbent treachery persists with threats of lamination

wherewithal the slumber keeps sightly abundance of willows in lands where rhizomes creep decay like opal seepage the sequester rectifies the lector's caveat nuisance abridged its velcro addition to the stars hector by nominative plural agendas sway public old passel ruminated against the wary fossils deliquescent in adipose laundromats naked but the foray into french nests pa with mon groaning amplitudes

lavender if a day
nor wary of inconsequence
when ill fortune inherits vestibules of vascular insight
whereupon morass excrescences the moribund
catsup its ill-fitting gotten gains
remote the verboten ruins
apocryphal lips for the waterfalled masses
relegated to crass ruination of purple casuistry
account for people-tomming audacity
wherefores the sensical breed

#### nonentities of bandersnatch

perfume as advertised

or scaled in rhythms

of running water

tales told forth

with cunning

#### **Country Life at Sea**

1.

rural backroad benign the plural manifests its leaves trenchant smoke detectors climb in the distance

> the vessels steam lumber in midriffs autumnal harvest reaps its roosters claim delays to sustenance approved

softness humbling itself to deities bereft of culted rumors in relaying the aboriginal truth to multiple vectors

> where insects conjugate satin verbs dens howl their cabalistic majesty coven bakes root in pinetar sex

> > 2.

where opposites retract prehensile tethers amidst their tragic glow its branches shift more abundant pleasures of infant jest

inside the chests of barreled sailors insurgent shore leaves displeasured roadsides in the wake of the unspoken

amnesty attractive bargains to be sure of when no uncertainties know bounds

or leaps to faith in cattle measured heaps dwindling with stargaze

the mighty weeps astounding crossed prairies of day light in the sky pounding rare electrodes of transients foreign to the gluttonous heaps of wool & mollycoddle

3.

the sweep of praying mantises weeps its enchantment the influx of essence deflorescent is its weighty sleep whose existence replays the antic tonnage across apothecary fields of rustic intent where the indentured pray for treatment

in suites of fullness imbued with clippers autonomous sledge of cruelties bestowing the tribune's edge rips open its gravel sea towing foremost streets casualties behind them

where quarries of the damned oscillate their fibrous tissue ants sing the yeast of algae

#### **Demolition Fedora**

Transpire the lucubrating offset.
The curmudgeons undertow their lugubrious lament. Instantaneous the flow of rivers

and content expressing its cement bulge in the navelry of orange.

Without its purview the scope of dopamine cannot discharge its aura, nor stir in it horrible contempt for the turn-

styled. Masses spur its awful genus. To the stylus

of fair played in its moribund vinyl stack, whose very blackening

asserts the tribe's striation as a statement of a sovereign nation

eating the heads of its guillotine dismembered in honor of the

Nor the equity its horses unchained where nectar plumb

### leads its scary seed to breed in the moist crevice of the inanimate

chosen by the masters of decree in postulate entry, oozing pus in trees barren of paper. The rape was well accounted for,

> the papers said behind the fonts of readers

> > dreading the hope of the many for they threw, their sentries run the pencil of orgasm, thin as slumber, naked as deluge,

or its messianic tint invidious in its dapple sway & ointment.

For the conjoined translucents panicking with flutes, loins & goat hooves

to bare their momentous downroll up hills where they top prophecy with acorns, declare

the militance of furriers abjurious to the naked forerunners

in their sharkened tint. The night before the ostentation stark in its rude appeal turns sanguine at the sun, instant

# bides its time as distance of the cowering gray.

Where the hovels snatch the blue teeth of night to scratch at crucial sediments, ignite raw density. Intent in its sentiment: who to demolish

the catwalks of the towering shovel

# **Eulolooming**

languid epistolary nuanced l'amour seeded beside the jerkwater sill betrays need with vertiginous wants

> daunting in its pallor the subtle disorientation fugues its haunting memories

> > distilling the vapor of pastel

pentacular in its gravidity memory its multiple birth

impaled on the pit of memory its thoughtful pith instilled

through traces of wanton magic

her lesson delayed its quickening lesion for the participle of its lingering frenzy all tips anointed with the tragic of sway foretold in forests of ancient enchantment secrets calling gold a misled alchemy weighted with her forbidden name falling cold upon death's ears weaving the worldly sabbaths of weir as the words of the wary foretold

breath quickening behind the thicket of sensory diminuendo its innuendo

# common knowledge among the certified density of begotten lore

the raven's approach delayed the bloodletting dialogue

of healing leeches soporific getting under kin

increasingly alabaster

Poe's prophesy

of fragrant skin

turned old

# Fetch a Calling Star

a gaseous transience has befallen the ascetic platitudes rent from audacity's multi-faceted scream

intransigent in the amorous flow the latitudes course the teeming wedge of mendacity's aesthetic

horses stream the river's crossing while the hedge traces its placid fortitude across remuneration's bathetic sea

where compensatory overtures masticate the many from the chew and the courses deliberate

their fumes laboriously intent upon pathetic displays of entry where forces recourse their doom

and switches rush the Moses bull masticating with matador's lambent dosage climbing the seaward

star gazing at the plummet rent from the face of the sundry sky its resources well deployed

each surface razing flames from the sameness meant to cloy the ploys from the steaming ledge

#### Fire and Water

Filamental fire needles evergreen eats the millstone cannery tossing albatrosses causing photsynthesis among aluminum follicles of mass hysteria. Where wisteria tombs the Mongols horde rooms of purple. Hazes amaze the protons of their watchful neutrality. Plurality beckons reckoning purity, its allure fleeting sail oats. Doting on the albacore of happenstance the neutron eats inertia, heats triangular rescue missions. Tissues erupt with wine tentacles mentally imbued, a stew of pixels grown ticklish in the light. The sticklers sight demands cancellation. Its laughter peels layers of night off leather metals. Elemental desire hardens the void where annoyance trains supreme tracking backs of reverse to myriad pilgrims. Diverse reckonings beckon allure annoyed hoarding purple, they graze. Cattle and sheep sleep in the pit of nectarine diplomacy, their cordless umbilicals mumbling pecuniary concerns. The liniment turns the quest on a maze: where from go, we here.

# Going Hollywood at Home

The stench of pedicure & fingernail polish collages fetishes & mother's wishes to whom the dreary need apply scarlet legends of terra cotta in winter.

Hinterland starlets expire in terra cognita, wrenched from edifice to attrition. Wearily they try the justice arbitrarily scaling their skin with instruments of skintight percussion.

The non-arrivals exude preclusion as a means of identification, oven-baked buck naked exhibitions on morning talk shows tearing at the blank screen's crevasse.

Moreso the fusion of silent musics withholding consent & taxing intent of spurious fashion. The attraction takes hold of cold water's first hot flashes,

their bold leaps notwithstanding the empty auditorium, the leeches of glory emanating persuasive dim innuendoes that pass for wit. Forward

the words march, meaning themselves into neon others dreaming passion's steam from vessels emptied of voice, their noise glowing coldly in the dark.

# **Heavy Mettle**

pyrite portmanteau ghouls fold glimmers swim to bottom's surface among the surfeit lies

true to formlessness despite ultimatum's criteria for trying rhapsodies

dyes pupae of purple sweaters aluminum crinkles winks its scaffold eye at butterflies cocooning

thistle embryos so goes the process recessive in its thinking

# **Hoarse Latitudes**

particles emotive lost to saws betray the cause of sassafras the jaws yield to their peculiar

currency among lost minds articles promote dead fields strewn with cost overruns

all projections its trajectory in sight offers new particles array the ruinous motive

toss the crawfish a tide the night directions bred horses proffer demoted

blades detonated aside injections offer the most profligate days ahead

of tight reins accosted inflections draw the wish of hush-filled coffers

#### **Home Entertainment**

Artfully the breathing stops armchairs in their stream a delight

only the wicked can esteem.

Interiors do not gossip tapestries

where furniture abounds.

Central

to the integer

of place lies geometry as bed of concrete muscled to shore, then inland, a sequence of no germane order to the lawn in its personal configuration,

> though the polyester servants master the inanimate in delusory fashions of control, the which breathe

numeric necessities

as summaries of a season forever remembered by doilies in their pain.

Wherever the couches end the plunge must remain severe & the arm ledge a terror to a still-laced domain

where furniture impounds

the polyester masters so numerous, in their fashion every delusory breath

a necessary integer

at

center

#### **Homeward Winds**

smithies awash the candlestick's snore intrusive the more unwashed it gets elusive beset aside the full moon tide begets striding

manly indifference chugs its tugboat pipe going down for the yardage first its throws frame inference astride the lugs of brown

reclusive substance the integers of chance eat its crown grow exponents intentionally sweeping the rug under its fractious number

of udders cannot refill the utmost tank dillying anvils across the sea so dizzily spewing angoras of Catskill radiance

redundant with canine effortless its tail of abundance draining the sail fool blown in his own wind seeking reprobation

its homegrown subsidiaries despair the fluvial stadium of cost control lost to the current of air unknown

#### In Process

prevaricate stretch limos in triplicate nylons the purple undoing

heroic aerobics shun the untamed one etches intricate pilings renew

ingots stamped margins their largess ensuing vipers variant of doing

form stretches intimate wheels in flux four arid etchings

set almost to mewing of crystalline molasses stretches true

sticklers along misconstrued pundits of the blue-blood masses heap

carob blessings turning form into contest reviewed harum-scarum

diplomats declaring cloisters of nunneries in snake's nests free of all

shame blaming those in process to baring the naked monologue under review

#### Particles of Faith

The prostrate data rampantly sage their assuaged mentors with glucose nails. Sweat roars later down the phylum strata. Unglued tenants squat love seats in the April sun, their tendons somnolent as radar's errant blip. The renowned slippage ensues through tenements agile in their sweep. The midnight patrol classes escorts as pointed nods. Their queries resound in distant ports where the anointed crudely spout water's shortcomings to deathless minstrels.

While the mistrials of the abdicated accrue their closure resents its presentiment. The gravity of intangible masses fakes a smile weighted with simile. The hated meta forgives its injustice. Faded neutrons gently sleep.

Tangent bulls foam rapid participles linking oak to the cloning of fiber board and practical assets. Homing devices practice running away. They say they proclaim their traffic dismays. Its weary applicant, a story filled with signifying. Particles sway in closure's empty breeze. But wattage insists on symmetries advanced beyond the bolted brass.

# In Pursuit

Gentle danger hawk the sky stalk leaves trail behind

walk deliberate futons trembling dissemble feet

save distance interest accrues while you face water Stall

flight's stumbling neutrons collect electric nuance

free the fleeting stew renew the seed's faintly rumble

# **Foresting Morocco**

1.

Gambols amber the forest of silky dread & night. The arbor of fruition folds its soul against the screeching sky the herald begs. Its fumes tumescent the humid's rapture.

With tumid wastes the raptor's tastes of wants ensue the doubling breach, or cleanser with its private parts captured. Doubles the nothing's waste, when cottage eaches in the clear

while the haughty-thoroughed brand verbs itself clear of all duration. The dead veer off curbs, their stated circulation sated among the ruins of Tangier, where the lungs of dated fish. Red die & unsung

> harmonies assuage the greater loss with thumb taps against the wind. Not to be forgottens the myriad trajectories of misguiding lights soaping operatic the quiddities of ambulatory matter

2.

that rots

the time-space equilibrium

whose lacing umbrages its trees in far-flung daze of quilted sutures, pitiless its leafy mist

when facing those captor. The rumored waste of thistles epistling solitary whistles from passing nights under construction.

Mere loosening upon the word unleashes rumored flurries against sandposts & dog whistles frequencing the heard

(among the cattle the postage vapors its leather hedge

the herd chattels its rue. Morgue its murder dues the unweighted pages of their density in prayers of escarole.

No salad shall attempt this day in its vain,

injections its superfluous root. The harbinger grains its field with seeds of prophecy. Its

matter no vein of intention rises to pray

to the amber gambols of humid intent wetted like appetite for water.

3.

The milky dead evoke a tambour rarified. Its reedy glare transfigured golds the tint of market.

Its going hungers unnoticed.

Harbors of deletion anchor the whetting spread of dread it silks at night, moribund with feathered tatters.

There the seek sheep entry against the plurality among us

while nomads decry the mendacity of stations, mundane diads evoking the impatience of verbs nouning their way to place

unsurfaced in the tremors of the looming body detumescent

# Symbolic Illogic

Sanskrit paradiddle kumquat flood meandering ampersands flee their brood & egret bar-stowed hatches beloved centrifuge

amid froth-capped raves

of cloudy constant in opals

dirigible fists twisted venom of slakes thirsted across dry waters scratch ennobling surface evers tentacled

leaps through the closed orifice

of happenstance.

Begrudging chance paramour's there burgeoning sloth umbral pillows spread toast across the sky diving bungee plunges to braggart broasters chicken love-in baked nostalgia adders

hiss frosting the last seeds electrodes cross past April's zenith

# the fly timed retreats

season venture nouns verbing the perigee sky half-lit as whiskey

indo-european sludge hammers the test inn vestibules unforgiving their timbral management or chastity becoming ledgers in the slink

rumorous

as verbal cancers

expunging the terminal's breath

# **Labial Lacuna**

sturgeon placenta quicksand rucks forlorn oral agendas token midriff spoke thickening crux with rectal subdued its recoil notwithstanding

prolonged agribusiness roots lament the prong

toothless entities belong to myriad

while normal men at work meant not

withstanding strikes of critical adders

prolonged calculations ensue litigious offspring ungendered in thongs of the neon matrix

the plumage struts in nearest mirror regarding lost tosses with legend eyes

or meat

antediluvial forefronts dismember appointed memories upon tragedy's reflection

a drama for the works

at sea

# the missiles deride their arc fists collective list measure

perspective foreshadows perpetration

amid penetrating sonnets willed to thistled hats foresworn amenities of months cruel beyond calendar's disdain the plentiful fund insipid its variant

nor trysts

# In the Places of Nature

swan down where neo-con bulbs hold their sway inordinate their staying power

triplicates diverse as influence bestowed where nuances unfold fraying tendrils

there but for the grace of playing fawns coordinates meet their vectors

insurgent their dance primitive praying rites delayed autumnal stayed to cower

defacing the visage betraying the vengeance of rain duplicitous powers distant traces

#### Moon Tide

Empty the wind seeds. The down below solicits all blue tidings

wherein those derided call their know / its sequence deny the factor of implicit shame. Its victory seeding

> illicit temptation to and fro elicits the ball bounce / added to the yard

> > indicate of same yet never in its stead.

Force, its true equivalent, blindly leads its swaggered might blithe to the spirit's wiggling

toe, disregards its stately purpose. As declared

among the rhetoric of the dead

the harrow must try all vividness aside to wheel its spectral tray

to the south. The locus demands spraying, irately proposing its truisms aside, where neatly the transposed

follow the warming trends allowed out of season -s allayed by the shortage of prophecy.

Allow the cyclical sequence its beginning, its myth of continuity disposed on the reefs of shallow waters

corals snake. Its purpose hoarded among natives in their foreign lands

seeks neither fortitude

nor certainty in the allowance

of forbearing horse rides concurrent with the dappling moon mares

holding captive the midnight sky

# On Alienation

the occlusion of dawn's sediment transports the weary wind to a diaspora unknown to those of its own kind

foreign to the other's touch alien to the sense of weather

akin to igneous recluses the abstruse cabal elicits the fall of donors grown on soil

filtered through photosynthetic modalities prototypes for oaths against the sun

& its rising spears cumulonimbus loincloths the warrior's shield

blue colors the terror within

# One Steppe at a Time

1.

over the flow the ottoman wails the injustice of armchair cossacks

steppes across the plane

of knowing

the juncture shredded below the hassocks of the threadbare dare to tread

their ingrained depth

showing righteous dread

of hubcaps in the hardwood fist of right-wristed rumors left to the sinister instead of the mightily before them

or behind

the closet shelves its declarations of interest in favor of intestate principal

bestowing amazing lace

on the doilies of the disenchanted

2.

the automanics below disdain the Siberian trolley's arctic flowering

their towering vessels over-slung

with ancient curricula

disjunctures breed octuplets of discontent meant strictly as dodecaphonic polyphony angling cassocks against

the orthodox waging

aging in their distance

way before the wooden frontage stakes draculian effect for the right to deface its naked claim against

the front

of hickory reparations tailored to dickering principle

remiss in its dutiful transience

past the brooding merchants chanting

3.

dolor has its concrete center here fiscal in its duodecimal splendor of austerity

gaping chairs in equatorial

tundra in the wake of nomads

# spouting sheep the cold sleep rumors its free delivery to the isolation of victims

lurid in their tenacity's

fervid garden

where hardened hucksters soil the primrose lava with ambidextrous duties appointed

with caribou feathers

protection against the birdseed of inclement forecast

weathered against

the mammoths breaking moody through their thaw

# Hell's Angles

Compendium alloy trifles the sludge. Its newest ally unfolds a borrowed measure with coastal repercussions.

Knocking senseless dimensions the rumors a la carte the truncheon's suited pleasure:

hosting reproductions of the boastfully pungent.

The downward drift begrudges its ghostly displeasure to daring ruins amazed at its cost

guarding the intending rifles as pensions. The suited up will the brazen stairs down reluctant motorcycles

the better to stretch the lost panorama

# **Issues of Theme**

banshee wails trumpet the weevil's evil synchronicity with Hamlet's revenge

its field of non-sensory picking vibrates against fields of rudder wooden in their alacrity

plots as the wheel of color turns

purple with midnight nectar ocarinas divulge the fence howls of cats

lost oils emerge knots channeled through the dyes enclothing indigo night

its lavender of black safe in the sudden pluck of sky from cloud on down

nimble fingers snatch color, snatch soul from the berries of gin

# **Guarding the Millennium**

Sentinels van fortuitous links at the crux of transport where travelers seek attritional device.

The trappings of entropy: rooms large

as hotel lobbyists seeking bucks

(five points or better, dear

lee belovedly sleeps.
The boulders of rocky currency

adept at true magic and flagellation

form their bondage with the inept.

Currencies of distrust pay mileage for millstones reduced to plumage

at the forefront of libidinal esplanades

frolicking across prawns

# preening their disdain

a void of meaning ensues,

lugubrious at its iceberg's tip. Flippant in the membership of its rejoinders certified quips prey stationary blunders

pirouetting corn plasters on wet cement

the firmest ground for plundering pirates:

one-eyed jackals slaying band-aid cures

their irreverence slurring the half-tones of jubilee

fishing for competence in the deserts of the oasis, or reversal's pilot plot:

of sentience, a grammar sentenced to the nonsequence of its sin tax

paid by conjunctive casinos everywhere.

For the pittance of moraines the battles cry the creek. Its mission gassed, sedition plundered.

At the seat of rue treason serial inversions of name and sound abridge, linking centaurian thrusts

to centurions delivered by males

whose trusting hobbies knobbed

in the lobbies of dead matadors.

The mammoths arraign judicious pledges, the cold sundry of the moon's renascence,

the luminary treasures lockets holding purple hearts / and the positions of missionaries:

bent over conversions to apocryphal texts

protesting nutrition as chicken for the fish of underlings

awaiting the change of sentries

# Hawaiian Hoedown at the O.K. Corral

rampant hulas hybrid the trees heat-seeking missives toss the wind's words leeward bleak to sun-dry lip nodes wary of meat

swords leak stamping dramas feeding custard's flow of natives dreadful cursives to whiplash the content of terminal scripts

withstanding their portly authority to buss stationary charge lists crediting gregarious mendicants for journeys through the sole

mendacious earnestly applied to travel vouchers bereft of leis ward off western infringements tassling the buck's kin near

quests shunned far from asking nor guns vested in past holsters with bullets of great renown batting master's sons across

quietly urping thickets on holiday docket's daring or carded ace stares the paper's face down at low noon of the broken luau

battling the oaken chorale for its place in the hysterical leg a sea of islands cattling to oasis the idle wild west

# Opposing Seats at the Old Cedar

The young mark fresh from dream chants current fashion against tired poets

opposes the weary modernistic yoke: elementary stanza

rhythm

verse

rhyme.

Late poets, worn out from middle school distinction, reflect against the new-fashioned young:

high

school

stress.

Modern young adults in college throb new-sprung animal seminary:

poets against pulsation.

Neoteric form peculiar to poets versus cadence:

additional call, fresh vibration...

holler about opposing tattoos.

The current mantra: modernistic carols, minstrels against measure's supplementary sing.

> The bandwagon starts at muse. Further numbers fasten persuasion, beginning with troubadour

> > fronting tempo

extra couplet characteristic

of possession's poignant pulse.

The original harness, an inclination peculiar to authors, passionately stresses disparate buckle marks outside of cogitation.

Notwithstanding accentuation, the unseasoned hayseed's appearance starts at dream, withstands the bluster

of a dissimilar young character

peculiar to street singers:

the Anterior Sentinel

#### **Palabras**

palaver forever the end of widows peaking across endless amplitudes longitudinal in their sympathetic displays a way, from windows eking out gritty triplicates. In feathered drawers filled with boas

constrict the lessons of lesions unlearned paper. Scraping squeaks its metallic tint leaking over generic bubbles.

Or, as

the colloquia say: idiomatic staying power sways hulas in the wheeze of wedlock's oars. Deep as the dread keeps, solarity unlocks replete squalls in restaurants of the thinking:

a cunning

of brutal specificity

#### Migraine Fields

Glissando marmalades elemental funereals tweeded cloth from hybrid laminate. Perfunctory deliquescence of loincloth whose purloins garnish the escarole's espadrille.

No eccentric headache here.

The medical tweeds its metal canon quirking demented luxury in hyacinth. Squadrons intended to exculpate meas bleeding culpas crashes tulip caskets near

the base sins of washtubs holding in

gear the quake's set of racers leering

frosty wenches through their snow-crossed

dredges. The sludge hammers water's ledge down stairs to abatement in the retro county's reprobate court. A lashes the whip's eye late in the coming, or grates the noodle opal makes

when shredding its finely-taught hair,

or sharing its triumvirate prowess

with alien powers that bewitch the wicked

glamour of twitching rosebuds. Gather the forest

while spring mays the wooded sties of footed animals gloriously shrill their singing ways and enamel. Tooting the ousts of the ledger's domain

the priceless headaches appear.

# At Center

When periodontic destiny travails the servant of the far shore all equivalents must demand more of their plexus or tendentious searchlights inebriated shall condense all measure hirsute in its tripod. No modality as microscopic arthropod snoring

> scores condensation points at the vector of its matrix. Storage of plumed secrets

disguising peacocks shade all gray absolutes nonplused nor the minus of their heart-felt derivative esplanades seeking gradients behind the sterile pastures of open minds intending the apocalypse of bifocular visionaries painted red

> with scapular doldrums holding steroid glue in the bay of definition.

Hoarding the unsung catapults by their flings the rampant exhale doldrums of inclement pleasure taking the measure of candied bar codes. No secrets rake the fortunes of rolling crabgrass in corn-soaked alleys

or their glottal cries.
The torn between
dutiful and no other
eclipse the deadening

treasure haunting the house with full abandon meant to thistle the hornswept cornucopia or its resplendent vesicles grown turbid with unsent molecules lacing its ancient trajectory.

No more. Trace this instant, its pellucid intent

crossing the sediment of nature's crest-eyed fury. In gradients the recipe calls for penalties of one, a hockey for the horse's putt through fields of hay, decibels screeching forgotten names at sunset.

What more could a litigant ensue?

For why? If not to better the burden's treasury, then not. Or so the proclamation would appear, void of course its clarity, voiding its bombast

> amid orchid rectors and rectal pieties proclaimed Thursday

as a gift of arsenic. Old laced with new headlines decay the face on its location, forensically thrust into dead mortgages. Out of pocket sweeps the intend, its peristaltic forklift forgiving denial its costumed plunge to the center where ventricles scrape their teeth.

# **Prophecies of Matters Past**

Leaner transplants accrue the immortal dust, its foliage meaner than lances.

That boil the artifact of presence ensues, a participle in the. Losing its essence to graying pontificators

> the oracle spreads the instance of its meaning to other.

Incidents into intent of vice into versus the animal plots its

flow pagewise, desiccating arrows flush with context, devoid of cement. The necessary intrusions belie

underneath its salted web mere tonnage. Mortified mummies gasp their infants

> grasp maternal rage, eternal verities stricken with oxide plumes. A fuming dissonance depletes

> > its range. Smothers its berth with carriages of Miss Demeanor

and her mannered few, the vagaries of insouciance abetted by razor clams.

Nor can the empty assuage their relief among those stricken with intent (the form that follows its looming

apodictic. Along the sainted path to scented apocrypha the fumes of lost incentive gain. Words to describe their histories

> forward in the name of trajectory assaulted suede. Those delayed responded with fits of glossolalia

> > incorporated into charters of the vast.
> > Undertaking

coffins as effort, the fluent respond with life or death

tangents. Their plangent plumes feather the gloom in their midst with olives twisted to dickens

charmed with feats unfolded in the innards of the dead merchants of venison

> rife with miscellaneous allusion a protrusion into the foregone mysteries

> > of

conclusion

# **Rocky Ground**

The liquid outbursts of the unconfronted igneous affront public sediment

layered its obsequious strands arrest the seat of disquiet amid lava's ubiquitous flow

belying its turbid intent to ossify the slow sentiment still flowing inside

bestowing juncture on rafts of petrified fossils seeking a phylum

from the octagonal mist rocking ashen feats of closure across the orange sky

#### **Route 44 West**

The Cantonese of Avon bark inscrutably white. Bagels hamper steadfast guardrails. Trains ensue trans(limits of)gression, expression's black skin in Latin. Pigs, all of them. Claim the stop. Pop the summer's picnics. Illicit sexless Stepford Wives await dairy farms explicit in their ambivalence. Exquisite in their equivalence the rains bare the burden of crossing.

#### **Number Music in Winter**

The refrigerator closets my arpeggios. In scapular mists the wind twists slowly against capacious arrowheads

taunting in their simplicity. The statements read letters from lost friends growing foliage their shade blooming windows at the ledge.

Its must smells imperatives in the sand at dusk. Meanwhile the lost pauses reflect the pasts of future action. In spelling

night terrors from fuming autos the willows loom over baskets weaving courses across the center lines accosting accounts with leering figures

of silence shivering through slivers of speech as winter's tusk mammals the hidden breeze implicit in the toss of actuarial splendor.

# Sargasso in C

fiscal endorphins leap the luminary's gradient enamored

of cockle's muscles

in the dark

the savage flies unbrowned in its incessant grilling its steam purported for the mammals of the Western Ledge

no purpose unfilled proposes roses in hunches uncloseted

delight roars its clamor

in protest

water ripples & churns its idle waves a dream recumbent on bellies of sawgrass turning tidal at the tangent

guiding the path outside itself the ruins of Atlantis pivot on the mollusk memory conceals the opus

in the mist

the waters feel calcified pain draining its ambitious personifications on the moss of camels abetting the primal need for stasis

wild things grow acclaimed in the longitudinal myth deriding

amplified silence underscores

its dragnet of fish

#### **Sunday Ware**

frayed cuffs chalk the cote melange its nether spice weathered in the lain niceties of sea tracks the stalkers heft under moons bereft of walk rough legends of cursive pageantry

> the glitter bestows its presence seeds the encumbered frown betrayed to the fixity of its own vexation

> > the vain where admirals bare their tread

slate becomes its shadowed presence walks the girth of waists unbound by tremors in the earthen night nor sound of cloven birth

enough to spread its gauntlet treasure found the galleon haunted among the fossils of fluorescence

detailing the travesty that derails its majesty

through ciphers of tragic wants

there the pain of initiative waits to punish the travails of nomads

dead inn there

wake the subtleties of tirade instead

unfailing

in its endless dread of narrative

bed or breakfast in its nuisance

or flow beyond the needs rippling the water with terse in chased

error its hot pursuit

the chair beguiles the tragic

its nuance unrequited

the gray suit of terror

once again meets with the hunger hurried

to best

another airy station in position
the diatribe of hunger ensues the plaintiff
measured in reactive bounds untethered stinting
emotion flourishes under shaded plots of basil nourishes
the trickery of the unencumbered seed laid to rest at the latest ruin

no sequence more for any torn dry goods elaborate the frame incipient fluidity proffers netting another with its cache afraid to walk the coat or flange needy foot pedals of their music

# remote the challenge of its offing

silent in umbral magic its timbral tragic hue

the tufts that greet him under strange gray

#### **Techno Wash**

loquacious lint balls dry automatic cotton technocrats ensure

ribald hosts forgotten chances clench the unsure cinch with calls

of pure impact debasing wet silk tracing its satin string

alluring voice springing the lurid dance of triplicate matter

into the turgid grasp of strangled metamorphoses turbid in their demented

technologies of the weary forgotten in the languor of opium dons the bleary spring

rains falling over raw tufts of data metempsychosing inside the dryer's spin

## **Reaching for Justification**

1.

Long didactic molecules twitter ampersands forgotten at moonlight's twitch or razor's dredging legendary crusts chasing grudges untestified

sample pursuit greets the salesman at the dog.

Roaring sunsets breach the clipper's taxi at the lunch stand hitching bridges to columnar nuptial and pantihose roue. A forecast pre-sets the dated post,

switching, meet at the stranger's carnivore,

dead at entry the definite post rises its cellular rage, assuages sycophants on wheels dredging pestilent waters of their last purity:

as ham would hand its subtlety neither to.

The from ignores the graphic shunning of ingots pitched in tensity's cross-armed reach, nor siding

with aluminum's acrimonious telephone solicitations convexed among distressed plaintiffs cross-stitched airing their beefs to the vegan right

2.

as shuttles would have it.

The traffic bares wheels, or road rage turning subtle in median trout stream graphs

attacking the thoroughbred spectacles flaunting their magnification as ego. Warring lenses taunt the straddling fences, eager to display their macho

circuitry in fenced quarters.

The incensed dollars will buy none of that, owing for inflation of waistline substance.

The matter more for flimsy gauze posing as leather lingerie languid across its vapid spread & pillowed down to its very bedding

the nutrients stood firm against its riptide haste, grudge fully crashes the shore. Pallid in drones the taunting sterns

the reprimands

at the feather's nest

## the eggs reluctantly upheld

the batter caked

in shelters domestically

abused at secreted locations off the fork of the tongue.

3.

Intransigents reset their echoes for the stapler's downward stitch, incessant modifications the surface to a wildcat strike streaking rainiest depths across rushing faces more adept at nutritional posturing among rain forests stumped as questions at saws past tensing the unseen. No cause abates the languor nor the tenor of the holiday posting conformance to regs established by gratuitous acts of policy factoring in the dentations of damaged molecules abrading gender's nightly bash. For the lift speak s itself of oracular utensils, the mighty gifts its sword with domain under the microscope's electron eyes would have it analyzed forensically for maybe nots in the

uncertain sameness

vaunting the forgotten pledges of

their fraternal difference

# Thanksgiving with Frankie Laine

Is tan bull in constant in opal

turkey lurks

if con stanton no pal then its tambour

gets the works

instant pull of constant ennoble then ids

stand full of constantine opiates

stem pull of cons standing noble

turkey quirks

## The Archaeology of the Present

1.

Stark raving sane the words inflame the vestibule.

Fools of inner light curse the autumn wind and rain

remain lucid through all crimes as rescinded as portals

to those craving the wisdom of purple madness.

2.

The flies disincline the tertiary of substance, a remonstrance not soon forgotten. Its chastening revokes the pledge

of foregone eras saving green stamps of post-mortem passage.

To assuage the threat of unseamly demeanor cloth sews its vesicle shut-

down at the plant. The crisis of herbal necessity grows tales of naked haberdashery

in hunters of primordial lassitude. Verbal precocity rises, its stance

# a thoughtful grow among the neon

ferns. Days glow and ties die, the climate insubstantiates the inveterate of their clothing

a strip mauling its discounted patrons in the terminal.

3.

Collages juxtapose

the archaeology of the present

ruin

its nascent trajectory spacing time.

Ruin

embraces what colleges oppose:

the fossils grew in the caustic night

portends

acidic their constituencies a gloom

portends

visions of arid tautology in its arc

juxtaposes collage

port ends ruin

4.

The metaphysics of duct tape

denote the unassailability

of fluidity's flossed virtue.

Where, with all, not with standing its per, mutations deride the flux alone. The stone, when seated fails to rise promptly at beckon's call.

The fall of electricians from grace

braces its availability

on triggers haired from horses lost

5.

Sequence bestows the measured call with trade-offs from jackknife fecundity. The errant nights moon the sun. In this respect their nuance unfolds crystal

waters unfurled their flagging vapors ingesting pedicures free of acrimonial substance. One foot washes an other. Disclosures of unity reveal separate

lotions. The treasured fall will grow jaded within its jarring dissonance,

or magic will raid tragic maypoles, diminishing their faded sustenance

> as trinkets wrinkle and sag. Distance patrols the intimate. The inanimate toss their bulge. Raided animus profligate indulges its pre-carcinogenic disarray.

> > 6.

Sharks pave inane frames of bloody ventricles with saw teeth.

Collages tame fools whose juxtaposing tentacles deny their claim.

Tracing lines shape visions of the blind with tinted glasses.

Staving pain saves portaled masses from the weight of decision.

## The Downs of Feathered Joy

dance their scapular shells tidy with uncombed nails and nutrients saturated marble fat heaps its globes

tethers nails concurrent shut rope at the nether ends of coral sputter through oral storms of hiss

dismissed schools of darkness huddle amid weathered tentacles skeptics breed their ruination

selves of others swell humble diversions of inverted pride divergent on all contractual terms

of endearment while cannibals feed on vegetable omelets no egg remains intact in its intractable

essence which came first shall also come last as hinges ductile on the circumspect

aboriginal muster of the opiate indeeding tactile approvals of the circus spectral in its aim

## The Hard-Shell Approach

the carapace of fruition knows the seed of wanting its gauntlet run to nylon

ampersand molecules spit neon convergent amber in the dusk smug in its tawdry thrill

stocking oscillations the bunkers declare their visibility orchid on the half-shell

stealing their hard-sell hunkers the casualties of ossified bawds instill the favor of centipedes

husking free the vapors of trust they exceed no unknown bounds to leap their expert lineage

or tall buildings with single crustaceans lounging by the pool or stream of thought

tinkered with a dam of crescents rendered obsolete by moons under pistachio

# The Landlocked at Sea

The igneous trigger of lava floes fizzles the sloe gin with its number. Inconsequential frigates boom and sizzle, glow. Descends the night.

Pits of darkness overall heed slumber its depth of ruin healing standard tunes of their metrical splitting. A midriff

of continental stasis appends the setting to weddings of gaseous fusion

elemental in the candid secret of pineal flux. The row progresses slowly

to rumble static pavements of yellowed brick. The foresight of tomatoes continues unabated, the magic of its tricks snickers.

Gratuitous threats. Discharge the tumble seating there.

Engorge the spirit dismal in its flux, in the suction of prism light:

the consequence of numbered schisms exulting in the netting gain no prophet sees

but grossly. After its taxing dividends the fortunate squander their jigger of rocks. In their quivers the bows denote: tension grows. Slow delight:

> ensembles of digital fortitude caress the wilderness of discount pottery

> > and clams:

the hard sell of their half-shell approach, the trickery of the open face

spams networks of indecision with forks stalking the multitudes talking in tongues

with their mouths full. The crudity of oil slippery in its deceit

fouls the quandary of lewd butchers sweating in the shoreline

jungle of furs. Tripping over sedimentary masts of centuries past their lapidary futures cannot hold the tortures of the insane. The will stirs triggers in the sharks above the cistern chapel.

Where Atlantis seeds its holy fluid

the desert awaits its stark menu.

#### Next Move on the Menu

lassitude parlayed into duck meat flays the burlap attitude of neon diners grating in the wait of night

kisses tress the trundled locks a turnkey lusting combinations of hair instances bare instead

where pale dreadlocks wail the thread of existence ties its wrench from the grilling grease

the stenches well-done lace fried nostrils and Sudafed the mystery tie-dyed olfactory tendrils

endgame resigns from the board for bread crumbs its payment overdue as the lobster in its thicket

rooked of currency yet again rocking under the mineral road sign

# **Springing Rosebuds in December**

tenebrous febrile the factions didactic impetus thrusting chenille tenets debit hunger weal audacious tenacity in pursuit

> vehicles teeth dogmatic defray the chaste of consequence delayed hubris beneath trauma automatically renewed vigor at times rigorously denied

> > its defilements whip the teeth and gums lumberjacking the oral fist

with grand openings and sunsets

grandfathered into claw
as prestigious litigants displace
the hopscotch of their sweep
a broom gathering follies while ice may

detach itself from the cummerbund of dachshund improprieties safeguarding the sapphires of august sapphic ode aphorisms

an odyssey as far as the eye can

secret the verb to tense muscle
that issue stiff chiropractic velocity
more abundantly strewn among the vesicles
of hay wanton particles gathering while she strays

drosophila in summer months

barking the dog days of autumn

#### Within Reaches

sacred remnants orifice turrets scaffolds taunt the cymbaled seizure octopus triplicates its decree

clever a size too small it fits scarves of masses liquidate it for lunge at discourse call

retrograde's reluctance troughs whenever the nail's nearest fit for scoffing tentacles polish flares

lurid and translucent the call to bear the forlorn's godly distance forgets the forecastles shipfully

harboring steaders unhomed at jaunty ankles raking tiles left feet claw the dance

or rant encumbrances vaunted as lasses their remembrance viscous its triumphant issue

#### The Last Word

admirable frictions peruse the truth endlessly seeking interdiction

a sequence of what was that ensues

present grows tense in the grammar of physiognomy

its lexicon demure & passive

in confrontation with weakening desperate equivalents

sense denies its other

trial seeks its own jury among the self-serving summons

of judges

engaged in massive deliberations of accidental

# trysts enticing laundromats

voyeurs dicing squid on tables at the backs of railroad cars

the clack begets its sow

amid the franchise the disenfranchised grow antic

with semantic concerns

the frantic darts of ignominy dominate the frenzy

of the unmeaning

## The Odds When Worlds Collide

below the didgeridoo's faucet smells
the arcades erases candles from their
wicked telepathy senses the common rudder
of all bleak shades drawn to melanin
as phosphorous decrees billiard pockets
to the weary their drench marks pretty
in the waterfall's creaky door to orchids
unknown to forests in the first degree
sequentially sinister and off to the left
the hefty sitter hides oxen pelts
with beavered cynicism and leoparded stops
at dyslexic snake pits idiomatic with paste
and kittens breeding multiples for theoretic nuclei

the stoppage occurs in seminary ointments neurotic as the grease spits orange taste at freon's supplication to persist in the face of anonymous funnels bludgeoning the flow plugged slowly with amber bullets receding the penalty box hooped up for portage stitching sporting events to square knots tide at dawn with their buttes on display no eagerness to repeat its meager petition against the vast plains of roadside barley ingrained as dentures in the eagle's gumline where equals shred flags and sunder in shaded lampoons where lampreys eye the steel hawks of cranium haunting roadside galleys with awesome pledge to do the rig thing digging fruit undo the brigantine vessels frigate soar while ashore the plaintive gambler sighs

## **Ending with a Line Off-Dylan**

Carousel nimbus who beggar the dance its nuptials swell the foretooth.

Moribund the consorts of display, in the way that a talisman becomes itself sells the truth of inner secrets aghast. With forethought, or the ought of knowing the tooth of inner revenge as butterflies trance the dolor its wedge: none given abundance to or many as the case would say briefly attached in the annals of the furrier /

thanatos the oblong box, terwilliger the thread to nothing.

Breaded seeds of haste make furry the dreaded fury deeds. Waste the ciphers of their boathouse lawn skipping, the ripper in the back his wife a hurried blade:

> harried to a maximum. In the glucose taste

of surfeit speaks the malcontent, precocious in remittance of content accord at one with delirious forces / fredded rice in the shoebox shredded dice in the score indeeding the transit sic gloria swells relief with a rolaid pin naveled. To the breach / its pittance synch with a mouthwash spits seeds at the stalking graper, of hustlers unknown for their lavender flourish of anonymity. Dredging the wage of its distance a fledgling bath of ancience

no matter how knowable its pith nor shapely at its vintage

/ or the sidewing for revisits
the ancient space of many
where few believe one have.
Begin theres the source of it,
in neckties or verbs

instanter the trampoline of figs in the shedding of its duty triumvirately floss the lily

its bullet / a random adjustment for the strafing of the floss

where ceremonies of the pawn only a hold may horse a man grudge

#### The Mollusk Follicle

Crying bells await the caller who hurries his name in dandruff waking. Field of orange smut away from mollusk invention intent on its propensity, starting, senses a bird bent on its pray this autumn day where fairs linger and turnstiles gray.

In the silence of the loudmouth only the dollop can complain.

Shells abound hating balls found wallowing. In distant hairs of field each waking to steam the misanthrope's wet intention of dream, to be misread like texts of the druid telegraph. The punch dines on fast faces lasting beyond the call, all this for the sake.

In the dolor of dreams surely a mountain must contain

burdens. Tether most weathering get here to place instead the leather of thought's first buckle. Insistent on the truth of liniment cosmically aligned as through each and each signs reach inclines to knuckle. Under water dreaming the sun's first beam of hair atones for staring at its porcelain root

where the slalom of screams devours its heart with a plantai

## The Ova of Blue Necessity

Imbroglio the chicken hatches broil the surmising slug coiling its lugubrious intent cementing the truisms of fiction where hatchers dare

their spurious spawn.

Beware the sagacious, their treasures mute. Their pleasures, invidious as they seem, denote the enmity of tangents

in fury drawn, or content.

Their sentiment broods at junctures of the bowel precipitate in their waste. In their case, to reciprocate the enemies, transients accrue.

Statements of purple dread, chaste as nicotine berated, for its salmon glow the ashes below. The tundra multiply

slow as ice in rapid transit: the glacial epoxy. Dilapidated wan tons stew, grow nicely

where chamber pots summon the humbled among us. There they flow their thickening brew to whomever their intent.

A secret yield: the glottis shields its myriad silence with unwieldy truisms. Jihads for the ambient schisms wield delirious

prawns protesting

the intransigent fury of cement, its trenchant discontent a matter fixed in form of passing comment. The latter an unlikely place to climb

> over matters under review, the ova of blue necessity's neon blink erasing the trace of ruined embryonics.

In muting their anticipation the farragoes of beaten retreat seek solace in the libraries

of the dead. Their harrowing farrow of dread intangibles stares, intent with coils of transmitting

data unremitting

in its propensity for jugular containers drawing blood of regents unborn, an immensity committed against the fertile eggs

quietly emitting

intangible futures

to their distrust

## The Poets on Super Bowl Sunday

Invidious the tentacles of fallacy chatting in the vestibule

exhibiting pinkies upthrust with purple disregard. Myth discards the oval trenchant with hammers. What matters with cards is the slope of mirrors,

the stammer notwithstanding its crux, assiduous

in the rain the chard swims, vegetable hope canards its ruin. Yet wrenches demand fixity, aplomb the rune of our ledge, a tomb dies

rigorous in the wake of prohibiting deities

vigorous in their flux. The next successor vibrant with the seed of amoebic discourse disguises resourcefulness with clamor

insidious as the steak choking the smoke alarm.

## The Political Is the Personal

Fried Chernobyl chicken soup tears alchemy behind the eyes. Automobiles beget the gratuitous attacks of mirrors projecting fearful reflections of three-mile interiors.

> Wastelands of words and wantnot snowshoe tracks wheel across the treaded steppes of tie-dyed years to attack the myriad foregoners

> > weeping their invasion. In the mist coastal waterways demand transfusions of sand. Their atmospheric midst sheds

> > > no daylight.

The gray sun laughs my last illusion past confusion returns the present

The tundra soup of the turgid soul melts fingers, melts minds, melts Reubens by the hand, smelts iron ore sanity.

Interior acid brightens autumnal folly leaves fall ashen, perennial arctic shade over the shredded vanity of Pittsburgh.

# When calamity hits land war mines one's Russian ego begins its baking powder calumny a recipe

for government shortages.

Encouraging fossils need apply.

Reckless danger meant sending winds to caution the petrification process of faulty perimeters:

radio activist alarm clocks march intently off borders of Dali paintings.

Flat Earth theory drips the interior's cutting edge.

The gray sun laughs its fast allusion vast intrusions prefer the lessened.

The Reuben in Russian winter eats no other land war but Rimbaud's derangement of the sentence

a snowless desert legion in their midst seeks intensity to conquer the missing vacant

who raid the last night's glow of the dark retro-Pop artists boast neon aurora borealism

into the mirror raping faces that grow on the ark.

The hibernating soul of nuclear winter protests thalidomide obtrusion. Confusion rains acrid steams

& Siberian kings husky in their peasant state three miles from mind's grip

> let islands slip through forked trellises of fingers. Deserts of water begetting the future protest in seclusion.

> > If reason laughs half-mast diffusion its last protrusion returns the unsent

## Only the Know Shadows

the umbral willows discontented light intentions unknown contentious with seeds spring overgrown nectar intones sway fallacious cysts tumbling reckless music its hectoring quest misrepresented in the cyclonic pontiff radiance tumbles a heartbeat away from incestuous moans of the forsaken swivels their dementia pre-cocked to trigger the awful sunsets aluminum wastes deeds impact wisdom's teeth gummy pas deux the deluxe to you the humbled melody humming itself ironic lea the lassitude of sway's upheaval rumbling mutters little brick children of playthings net worth the price of impact deducted forthwith its summary haste stumbling barnacles abridge the crossing ponds frigidly cleave the ruminative landing of parasites murmur echoes of the intransigent dead in court with image-mapped defenders of paste ruined the cargo's midriff bilge a sewage of mentors distended missions parlay luminous billows every which the way the cross-seams stitch so proudly from sight's memory a trajectory occluded

## **Unfounding Rumors**

clandestine murmurs augment the seal of blood the stake whose uptakes resound farflung the moment of addendum's truth surrounding the tortured heal of wounding

> redounds with utmost fervor the myriad glisten of the lake sounding the bottom's air

intensifies the rippling intent of mussels standing in the breach of epaulets configured with luminary's

disdain rustling coattails

in the red heart of NO EXIT signs

a passion only upstarts command

astride the heat of the paddling liver the rakes berate the wound of insolence insatiable in their hunger for the stable ozone whose sound sings river's bed while dreadlocks coil the purpose

> for giving vapor bounds under listening treasures the list surrounds the flat key

the moment rebounds to stretch the wretched film of elasticity its instant measure

airs red intentions with all due dismay to reveal the flapcoat's rarified absence today with absinthe clocks

the rock unfolds its heel

walls feel its closing pressure

emboldening dead inventions

## **Urban Dawns**

Radio alarm clocks ring the entire city. Entities arise, birds cry truculent drivers. Reverse pieties endure perverse coagulations of a nation in turned moil.

Oil sings ballads. String saves yarns from boring well. To cling raves bring run to magnets distract attraction's finest momentum. Sting love's inert body with hasty

wishes paste waste devoid of sound geometry. Startlings die in ale, trails of ancient descent bent dry. Their stinging flies duped fins again whenever the mass of flailed failings

try yet again to bring.

## Weekends at the Lab

penumbral Sundays unspent the intuition of inertia's costly means energy budgets

for the dissipation

of caterpillars

gardens unreached tend toward the sabbatical especially interfacing

with the animation

the will withheld

august emissaries protest the assumption that all things being equals a sun

stationed among cartoons

figures fill the accord

plants with animal mix genetic engineering breeds its grain intellect surfaces

its polyurethane trellis

still in its shadowed yield

# Widening the Gyros

never the twain shall mark the meat butchery is its foregone sweep

racing against steak the plummet cries

its pained shark sweet to the touch so much so that the sty may live

unherald its coming tuesday's armaggedon

weep for the massive who know no bettor or share the gambol

## Yet Another

this time the line shrapnel the time's effluvia in porcine haste

no flavor to extract distraction's comely bid or center its off

limes leaves its pine sent to the nearest customer off the cusp

love greets its trilogy with mirrored reflections seeking same-

ness of difference in secrets bulging divulgence knickers thighs

convenient lies telling truth directions of repetition

## **Outmoded Surrealistic Structure No. 1**

'twas the night before Artaud & all through the cat's lumbago hotspur jackals evinced their semen in vats of germinal concern

in her apocryphal tower Nadja weeps por nada en espanol

navel juxtapositions eat fish over the broken bred of Aragont poets trifling with the truffles in their fists posing over notes to be penned in the cages on the backs of manuscript pages

Nadja weeps towers of *nada* in her apocryphal *espanol*, *por* her

secretions delete all grief numbered sequentially for their ruin intrepid integers of formalistic pursuits retread their horrible entities raise the dead with automatic

weeps *en espanol por nada* in her tower of apocryphal Nadja

over deletions intrinsic to bleeding watches the Dali she cradles in her melting watches a maternity of tabloid pursuit consistent with the manifestoes of Mayan glyphs riffing cliff-held artifacts

por nada en Nadja's espanol her apocrypha weeps in tower

## Outmoded Surrealistic Structure No. 2

It all began in Ernst when Dali Maximized Venus in her breast drawer closet or so Antoine are told

no man can expect head from a Venus without one

limbic rage pursues its equivalent absence in the lumbar regions where Pluto folds way among the dungeons of the languid and their primary interceptors

skepticism breeds its own content in the guise of form

exhorted on a boys night out gawkng down topless runways featuring exotic plantains to go bananas over light

strobing the play of darkness the sculptress needs her sew

to darken the impenetrable delay with facile nurturing of mothers' hooves the stag parties its anticipation ramming delayed gratification

its ramifications self-serving the undeserving ramparts

leaps the turbaned sky its crescent arc demands

restitution for prostitution of past justices milking

in the bark tower of the savage noman

## **Outmoded Surrealistic Structure No. 3**

Nepenthe the curmudgeon calls bricks his backyard sticks prunes into the tithes of asphalt

adventures of falling dentures need not apply to all the carping winners of atrophy gold on the white-haired

disco chest pursuing dudgeons friskily betraying the fiscally fit laying their investitures on the side

a privilege of orifice undaunted by the bludgeon of oral monikers physical in their nominative cases

of beer for picnics of plastic mustaches cheering their own exhibit of their unconscious mastery of conquests

driven by trophy statues without arms to keep abreast of while leering at the fields leaping over their sheep

## Friday at Armageddon

1.

absinthe knockers stock abridged sponsors of sweeps better left unknown

the children of the apocalypse enter the calypso's strident megaphone

Western Destiny shrugs its foregone delusion the bride of instant dueling

TV bares the bliss dreaming the breasts of its unhuggable cement

2.

incipient stoppages block the ribbed condors seeking heat from needles unsewn

the trident telephones the nectarine to skip the triangle's endlessly zealous broadcast

its immensity chugs boats tugging rivers through the challenge of waters left behind

to sleep with the fish passes every test of illegal shark suits

3.

bordering on dismay the blockage becomes televised amazon wetback pursue nectar's whistling transom without submission over cause of fruit delayed while handsome tangents denied will deride the flux of cargo as lucrative luminaries remunerate the night of its costly appendages lost at see the ransom's small bills captive the hold tossed salad reserves tickets to treasuries past stockades guarding borders from commercial announce-ments allaying all fears and women to the derriere guard securing subsidiary rights to jiggle shows juggling schedules and buns both tight as the emir's appointed electorate whistled the postured happenstance

of glandular decree and the cost of its post-postulate Immersion

4.

to turn the tables on itself reflexive as a verb to table its reflexive verb as a turn itself on

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the infinitive as an object of lust the object as a lust of infinitive

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patrons saint the angles of language language saints the angles of patrons

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only the inquisitive need apply only the acquisitive need supply

5.

in the land where indentation fails

## **Photo Finish**

The wetlands stride their tunneled glue, a fix-it for the feckless.

Luminous cradles redirect the taunted gradient

surfacing by degrees across the salad-tossed fauns the warbles ripple

Bituminous radiance of mistletoed anthrax

lost in the cellular protraction of distracted tentacles everywhere,

the story goes beginning to end nowhere in the middle

win
place
and
/
or

## Sonnet

the technocracy of uproarious glissando perpetrates stories of glorious bliss and though the missing protest perpetuates the ancient stories through boring reckonings twist its fate

delight among the measured knows no pleasured bounds of distention speaking forensically of course treasure demands its right to salvage

hulls wreck no glories nor blow gales creaking masts intrinsically stale bread below the hold of untold ballast seeks dimensions beyond electrodes of distant enemies

bold crackles assert invidious silence intent with tracks of insidious measure

#### Sonnet No. 2

Translucent formaldehyde's piety shows the pewter branch of thistles remoting the sledge of creviced dumplings, the want-nots of the spectacled haven'ts dustbinning their pinning wedge to the hair skinning the ledge of graying proprieties, their furlongs giving chase its muster.

No lapse can transmute this unhappenly timing for perhaps the lutish soliloquies of the inane sledyards frosting leather toads in estuaries of the Brooklyn night. Mixed begottens bookend the ample feast of minuscule bits of madness:

the balderdash squint it frets away amid the barnacles of the insane.

## **Whispers of Lost Tongues**

1.

Sanskrit timbales okra windswept suits oil traces tamales to whetted noon horizons pinning the written dunes to the sand's scripted Sphinx.

The riddle tells all before its answer.

Opera jingles sweaty pocket change ensembles ring metallic singing music of the ancient spears crossing arrows of visceral stamens

> new clear brambles front the path of no clear radio active FM tuning to the darkened muzak of cellars

where swelling electrodes sing their dwelling nostrils to the dank blue episodes ringing neon's slated beef

grating pestles with the mortar's bald consent a blade established in the vessels of hair transport. The slavery of Indo-European chains

speaks barter of munificence

for lordly assumptions of language

posing to mirror their lengthy inceptions.

2.

To triumph in the mist, understood the granted phylum. Its generic heritage remained unclear

to lurking aquifers lost in the pestilence of medulla oblongata.

Face the fortnight of intransigence bloking the footpath's near,

nor the regatta's lengthy gravel path of pirates

tracing the dredge of summer tankers, magnate's ions chilling in the hold of no clear winter

nor summer's retreat to the ancient tongues of Pimlico. The braces ensure the tracing by transients of their certainty, in every way compromised. Whenever they look

to stentors for voice the shoutdown detains their will. Where plumage discussed in continents

the filling oceans

defiled their torrents

the crass gasp of omens

seeking nomenclature from the leery.

3.

Cross deeds announce the bow's sight, the arrow's flight confirms its vestigial trace, a timeless erasure of pleasure's undulant liquidity

measured in half-steps of drastic inaction.

Wherever the train-filled borax soaps its lawful way, hope vanishes under the watchful scope of old turtles

hurtling destiny

toward the sidebars

of the wild incipients.

Their discourse derails the station at the train.

Livid destinies converge on the half-track, a circle bisected by time and its squatting ovaries. A variation that ensures the theme its limpid stools, their urgency.

The timid rush to seats brings salsa
to estuaries, statuesque as a tense present.

The gift of parsing renews entanglements tracing the texts of bracing farce among the crafted tides of freighted ultimatums.

Pricing the listless ganglion grates its nuance, forcing chilly to weather neuron's tainted argosy or rapture gossip with prisoners scissored

in the vestibule

where cultivated lessors

accrue with the weight of dividend.

4.

Taking stock of priceless matters the incumbence estuaries its triangular flow to various investitures

> of rabid fancy. Its habit dances rhythms of oceans plastered among last-known air vents

> > fanning the lugubrious offsets riddling Egyptians of their lost pyramids and scaffolds stand

pliant with raveled histories of girders turned insane as plants. Curdled knowledge distills its stamina

foreclosures gone to bleary seed as trickles of forgotten noons pass raptures. Across tainted thresholds

moons extend their orbital sockets

defying Canaveral assertions in the reckless wind

of visions sighted beyond trains of flying ovaries.

To pocket the dance of noon and all its rampant encryptions the coded must show their

haunted coats of armor to the hunted speeding motors in their lurid way

or risk tendentious swirls

blustering morphemes

and genital statements

surrounded coated grist luring the bootleg waterwheel from its secret-knocking still

## outnumbered

by daiquiri plums

in the trawling layers

of hieroglyphic ozone

## Fluorescent Apogee

fluxors trismegistic fluence meant ombudsman succors majestic tragedies scented water implements

> the dromedary supplements the sacred wayfarer broken syntax spewed terms of renewed magic

> > unsent feasts attended scatological necro wafers where waters shadow sky

its actuarial supplement gathers mitosis

for the adjunct stray

resuscitant vestibules

nurture sustenance its wary warts

to heal the grommet of its suit brooking brothers in families untied the sun's jacket mirrors its dissonance fits of starts fit brighter when knit with beige

caterpillar days where prisms fear nuance of caterwauling sledge pious recidivists try three crimes over

# night's distant ceiling odes nodular lodes cement

in lands where intentions fail laments to pave meant woks steaming romaine

insouciant tumblers transmit secrets of lochs unsealed regrets

or tears of onion sympathy

bolster the solstice of migrant egrets

snowy as this ember glowing amber light

radiant fugues appalling to the mass

confusion rains its down pores gristle meets its herbal bettor

hammered the beefing ledge of trimesters

urgent with unleashed fluid
to roar the triumph of ambience over mustered
diligence intransigent in the distant spotlight
or purple mentors incendiary

native centaurs low the hunan cry stirring fried relief in vacant strangers where aqueducts pack their fruit the succor finds its bar none

born one minute every savor the sky beliefs the height

of distance

night measures the pestilence of clocks

slammed in alarm or betterment

the fury darkens length its brows reduced to furrow the mighty flesh

its resistant strain

muscles torpor's secrets

#### ARTISTS STATEMENT

Throughout my writing I've explored the relationship between literature and music, particularly contemporary jazz in its most innovative forms.

If improvisation, the primary tool of jazz musicians, enables me to maintain a sense of freshness while I'm writing, revision allows me to smooth the rough edges inherent in improvisation while retaining a sense of spontaneity in the work.

My attempt to understand the free improvisation of Ornette Coleman, Cecil Taylor and many other noteworthy practitioners persuaded me that their idiom was, in a sense, as much a "literary" form as a musical form. The metric and harmonic freedom of free jazz matched the flow of free verse more than it did the structure of standard tunes, the basis of most modern jazz. My fusion of poetry with music rested on this understanding; I tailored the bass lines that guided the movement of the instrumentalist's improvisations to the poetic text. In effect, I applied the harmolodic theories of Ornette Coleman to the fusion of free verse and free improvisation.

Demolition Fedora explores poetry as a form of free improvisation, using sound and syntax in ways that defy conventional meaning, and the computer as an "instrument," much as the typewriter was for Charles Olson. The improvisational aspect of literary composition (and necessary revisions) involves fracturing conventional meaning with words that jar the reader/listener's ear toward a different perception. Sound takes precedence over sense.

Removing the poem's traditional intent to "mean" enhances its ability to "be," i.e., a perception in process open to the reader's interpretation, although I doubt that Archibald MacLeish would agree.

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A part-time bassist, Frazer fused poetry with music from 1988 to 1994 with the Maynard G. Krebs Memorial Ensemble, the Vernon Frazer Poetry Band and the Vernon Frazer-Thomas Chapin Duo. In addition to releasing three recordings, Frazer's poetry-music combos performed at the Nuyorican Poets Café and the Knitting Factory, as well as numerous other venues throughout the northeastern United States. In 1994, saxophonist Thomas Chapin commissioned "Put Your Quarter In and Watch the Chicken Dance" for his *Menagerie Dreams* CD. The piece later appeared on *THE JAZZ VOICE*, a CD compilation of vocalists and poets co-sponsored by the Knitting Factory and the *Village Voice*.

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