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I'm pretty boring, but lovin' every minute of it.

Apocalypse

"BACK OFF! " I said gasping,
And spat mucous at the world,
Which was spinning fast.
Now tucked under a treeI whispered things to myself
And reached for my last Marlboro.

I heard the trees sluggishly begging for rain As undiscovered acidic colors began Falling in pales from the blackening sky. The giant pendulum swung Fast And I began to cackle. Something isn't right.

The universe blinked
And the sky was dead.
"This" I said in one language or another,
"This is what I wanted all along."
And fell asleep.

Asthmatic

An epiphany in the deepest dream-

And I wake up blind

Gasping

Wheezing

Feeling through the dark-

Crawling

Scratching

Breathing ever so hard

I'm innately searching for my lifeline

As I start to panic-

Different tones of voices circle around me-

Laughing, as I faintly hear them telling me

That I am an old man.

My bedroom slowly melts into a pool beneath me

And I am fooled by the devil.

Like always

Im left alone

Surrounded by darkness

Only to feel my ugly

And that I have aged.

Sick to my core

Nauseous and gasping,

I cry as I laugh at myself

And the pain I sense dripping through my fingers.

I stand still but the energy doesn't stop.

I feel the liquid in my hands

Turn to dirt

As my tears create life-

In the rose that quickly grows

In my strong left hand.

I realize I am an old man

And I wake up wheezing, looking for my inhaler,

And I wake up wishing

That it's not there.

Brother

that morning when it all made sense you talked jibber jabber.

the sparrows hung themselves one by

one.

we looked out the window

you with the eye of magic, me going blind.

every night, you knelt beside your bed and lied, and the sparrows kept dying.

trees shot pool in the smoky billiards of my mind;

in yours, I'm not so sure; but when you knelt down all the world made sense and collapsed.

in mine, 8 ball corner pocket.

in yours, the sparrows were singing like angels. when really they were already dead.

Cranium

I hear the cries at night,
They keep me awake like a rabid monkey.
I hear the cries at night,
Coming from every direction and being.
I hear them whisper the most horrid lies
But they swear that it's the truthIt makes me explode inside
Like the center of the sun.

I hear the cries at night,
And the crickets beg for more,
But I pray they'll stop
God, why won't they stop?
They make me itch from the inside out
Like a circle of crows

Prepared for the end. I hear you calling, Only on the inside.

December Night

Each snowflake a memory
Once lost.
Seven candles so dimly
Light the room
And the window is wide
Open

The gateway to space.

We slowly talk with our breath

And kiss words like ' the battery stopper '

And 'JUGGERNAUT'

Time continues to pour and combines With our dripping imaginations-We are knee deep in undiscovered colors And giant fish.

We do not dare speak of the sunrise- for We enjoy lying to ourselves. The wind, a force of truth Gives the flames a quick lick

And we're finally where we should be.

Darkness.

Just Let Me Quench Your Thirst, My Darling

but i'll starve you in the process.

the oranges are mine.

you can pee on that globe over there

BUT THE ORANGES ARE MINE

are you dying?

so am i.

would you like a glass of water?

Lost

I have seen the sun and lived. Fished in the river of colossal purple mountains

Catching in abundance.
Like you
I spend half my life
In the dark world.
To be shown the answers
and not feel them-

Only to be thrown back
Into
The lightthe soft rain cloud
forgives.
someday
its always raining.
as the moon looks on and laughs
it is high.

I completely forget we are alone.
I am lost.
The dark world always forgives.

I am no longer.

If only the light
was made out of dark
the world would not exist

My Hammock

In the realm of my hammock

- -swinging
- -silenced

the summer's night sky swallows all life that exists no further than me As cricket gossip is suddenly understood And fireflies grow in size And dance in sync To the rhythmic baseline of the full moon

As I finally pause to question the situation
And suave paintings become images
And the moon just wont stop laughing
The gentle wind is ridiculous
In its manner submissive to the sky
In the realm of my hammock I open my eyes

POP! POP!
Green-blue cracks split my vision
And percussion of the stars
deafens
I'm lost in space but reassured in time
Those paintings
Those true paintings
Must be drawn in my notebook.

Night Cycle

The window was wide open.
The gateway to space,
I think
you called it.
The candles told us lies
as they suffocated the black.

Time liquefied, surged out of rainbow sand buckets and gushed itself upon the floor; stirring the imagination that was dripping out our noses,

wet

drip
light
drip
dark
drip
kiss
drip.

We were knee deep in undiscovered colors and giant cat fish.

We did not dare speak of the sunrise- for we spoke lies, fluently.

The wind, a force of truth,

I think

you called itor as the candles said,

"un fuerza de la verdad"

gave the flames a quick lick,

and we were left only with our thoughts; or as I called it,

Darkness

Ode To The Greats

Yellow apple, we met for supper in your flat bottomed boat. we are not here; you are beginning my hand is sticky with sugar a breathy click- low volumed height of trees willows are not real trees the natural world spins us in green the look of stewed water glaring in convex contemplation plums hit the ground the brain behind smiles, smiles, - similes of oxygenation he will never reach her to ash, to mount smoke of a soul it is two in the morning It cannot come to any such end the buses moving along to the end of the line time past. rushing into fill the unthinkable well when the moon rises above the hill baskets, birds, beetles, spools a million boats the sprinkling can on the dank wet streets that they once were where logic can carry you to hell out of many colors increases with winter weight the dissolving string through needles: permanently un deterred by erroneous

dew big mountain thunder fall on shy trees

blue trees vanish

with neglecting to

tell us

no remorse

the moon is an alien rock

among purples

fog grays the skyline

one dreams of a law and vines

I go without a clock

the shift

the well I threw sand into

a rejected man is walking

and near white trees

and we blew the joint

night and day

her son destroyed her paintings

like a needle to a magnet

do not fear your death

I followed the string in the dark

alone

a black pool full of black water

sweet inside world

gravestones

river stones

stars you are mine

burned at the touch of the earth

I've never felt.

Polyester Tribulations

Sometimes

We dont know the difference between

What is real?

Nothing seperates the

Something

Is striking like

Fireflied lightning

Dancing

And

Dying.

The razor edge of the lake's horizon

Cuts the sky and

The sun.

We remember the nights

Of sobriety

And how we felt.

Maybe like the moon

Because it knows

Everything

We dont.

Or maybe like the line

Seperating

Thought-and-non-existence.

Or maybe we felt like

It's going to be ok,

Because lying to ourselves

Is such a force of habit.

Or maybe we just cant

Wait to get this all over with.

Reality

reality creeps in like death.
gaps of truth are found constantly,
like sun rays blasting through windows
in the early morning, waking humans
as the earth has been awake for years.
the sun's responsibility
is endless.

what are we?

I know somewhere what someone is thinking reading this well, I know my friend oh I know. behind it all

in front of it all

I talk to myself.

Suggestions For A Title Anyone?

their names were pasted on musical notes as we took the journey through the cackling forest, the plants sprouting and chinging change and slinging rain; we walked.

the giant crows sparked campfires and conversed about what they'll do when the sun shatters. your bones were broke and your muscles tore but still we walked.

serpents and swans
made love before our eyes
and I remember
so clearly
how you cried;
yet still
we walked.

the marks on the trees the fears on your face the locks on the cage the monkey's enrage and yet still

we walked.

the wall the touch the dusk the chaos.

we ran.

The Cotton Balls

i see glorious mountains,
something like heaven
with the clouds like
cotton balls
soaked with rainbow juice
some of them reveal the open sky
some of them sing and some of them die.
some show my dreams in moving color
as the wind gently brushes the memories away
and out to the deepest of sea.
its there, where the wind meets the shore
and nature is an atom
among It all

im left alone in open space
a lifetime away from the eternal planea lifetime away from talking to mountains
a lifetime away from streams in my veins.
until I drift out of time and away
from the earth
from perception and mind
from the actual, gazes at the sky
It is not until im looked in the eye

do you see those crows? (they want to cry) do you see me? (I'm ready to die.)

The Customer

A customer just told me that sunshine
Was falling off of her roof.
I looked at the old lady and smiled.
I was confused yet in awe of her power.
It was then when I realized
We were meant to relax and talk about death
And life.

She would ask me something like
My perception of heaven
I would say something about pastures
She would nod and say,
"If we smell like the day we were born
And there are tall trees to climb,
I will have forgotten I was once mortal."

She took her cigarettes
And left me a smile
To remember her by
I forgot
To ask her if she wanted to die.

The Melting Sun

Days go by

God's huge tears forming morning meadow mist Over vast, landscape flesh.

Miles and miles of dew

Nesting on the sharp blades of green grassForever awaiting the dayThe day the sunrise melts the sky over

Dripping

Large pools of hot redemption everywhere

As everything finally collapses

For miles and miles,

And darkness suddenly overwhelms.

The Process

Conflicts burden
My path and I amAlone.

I make decisions that

Get me chewed up and swallowed whole by my burned out demons

Penetrating my regret

They're on rotation, - that's the way it goes, man.

So get used to it-

It burns inside, doesn't it?

But it we can have a thought together
Just this one time
We can soar with the birds
And see the world through a completely
Different perspective.
It's what we need.

But-

I tend to forget and regret Decisions that get me swallowed whole.

The World

For me, closure can be found in empty bottles and a glass piece for me, I don't believe, that what is real is what I perceive. I'm pissed, in fact- at the constant frustration so I spit at the world and the whole population

things dissolve into an empty bowl held by a starving child.

with hope of hot food rising from his skin like a skunk that cant escape -or a tree begging to die.

I forget who I am, and find it in a tune dwell with a smoke and be depressed like the moon but more like a geezer awaiting his death or the underlying pain in the deepest breath.