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1989 National Poetry Series, for Artist and Model, selected by Robert Hass

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News Of

another massacre; and the clean bright morning.

Keeping walking. 'Contradiction' is human -- I know that.

And 'knowing'... A stirring from the place the whirlwind -- something like
fear -- arises, and watching my breath

to still that. Suddenly thinking somewhere in the breath -- along
the breath, is an understood place. Somewhere -- but somewhere
in passing -- where the matter is reconciled.

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News Of: Codicils

Too many things

one must know -- so many --

a place on the breath for each? each passing?
(its turning -- breath's inmost
turning, my Love --

for delight --)

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And another

'massacre of the innocents.'

And that there is a form
even for that.

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Breath as

tidal -- ardor... fervor... horror... as moon --

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What comfort?

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There was a moment

of blessing, calm.

Though it was a pause, a hiatus.

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'... then what felt like a whirlwind

had risen up
in me, such that

little was spared.'

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News of

the unbearable, happening.

Breath saying Now, now.

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Tour

Near a shrine in Japan he'd swept the path
and then placed camellia blossoms there.

Or -- we had no way of knowing -- he'd swept the path
between fallen camellias.

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