

Poetry Series

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# Mad Love

Love like madness  
That is what I feel for you  
I predict someone swoons over you  
But I love you more like a goddess

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# The Long Walk Home

Look:

At the refreshing and bubbling waters of the Niagara

The white garments of Mount Everest

The well-built arms of the beckoning oak tree, dancing to the flute of the cool breeze

The smiling face of the handsome razor

The swooshing waves of the understanding sea

The jolly darkness of the barrel of the gun

Listen:

To the lullaby of the soothing pill as you dream

The cool breeze you feel high up the high-rise

The sympathetic roar of the majestic lion

The loving hiss from the great king-cobra

The rumbling stones of the brawny Rocky-mountains

The assuring sobs of the engine of the car parked in the garage

Is it hard to dance to the rhythm?

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# My Mother's Sister

My mother's sister  
Wealthy  
Full of life  
Great beauty  
White and sun  
Worshipped by your spawn  
Lovely mother  
Kitchen filled with treats  
Bellies full!  
Freedom was your seed  
O, beautiful!  
O, mother's sister!  
Your name was — life!

O beautiful!  
Did you fall?  
Why are you silent?  
Were you strangled?  
Did you die?  
Cries over horizons!  
Cries over mountains!  
Cries across oceans and seas!  
Cries across plains!  
Cries across fields and deserts!  
Suffering!  
Scene of bickering  
O, anguish!  
O, mother's sister!  
Your name was — suffering!

Mother of sons  
Fetters!  
Forced against his will  
Tears!  
Strange deeds!  
Cruelties!  
Then the orphans  
Chaos!  
Bedeviled son of your old sister

Blood-filled streams!  
Blood-filled marshes!  
Blood-soaked garments!  
Blood-soaked plains!  
O, sorrow!  
O, mother's sister!  
Your name was — bloody!

Mother's friend  
Hope across the horizon  
Rising with the sun  
Mixed nuts!  
Togetherness!  
Laughter!  
Fading lines  
Strength!  
Mightier with every breeze  
Happiness!  
The return of peace  
Ruler of the earth  
O, greatness!  
O, mother's sister!  
You are earth's - hope!

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# Ambrosia

You, suddenly, appear in the midst of men, like an angel sent straight from God  
Clothed with the heavens  
And held aloft by two angels, friends of God  
Your glimmer is like the sun at midday in the middle of summer  
Your lovely eyes sparkle like two stars that outshine every other on a starry night  
in the heavens  
Your appearance turns a strong man weak at the knees like a motherless  
newborn lamb  
Your words turn a blustering fellow into a sweet singing maiden  
I heard the birds chanting odes to your beautiful body on an early spring morning

Thanking God you live among men  
Your God-carved lips look delicious like fresh honey flowing in a golden bowl  
Your skin is as beautiful as sunset over the peaks of Patagonia in summer  
I heard the choir of heaven singing your name when you appeared on the  
horizon with the moon as your guide  
Daintiest flower who makes a man's heart dance  
And his mouth water for the sweet dish of love  
Icon of perfection who makes a hunter lay down his bow and bow on a knee  
Sweet nectar that springs from the heavens  
Flower of God  
Beautiful saffron of Eden  
Your name is...  
Ambrosia

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# Runaway Time

What done you to majestic Time, oh hideous creature

That he quivers and flees from you?

Have you put him in shackles as a prisoner?

Or quietly wiped him off the face of the earth as tomato sauce spilled upon your kitchen table?

Answer me!

Did you know you left an indelible spot?

Ding Dong!

Ding Dong!

Ding Dong!

Have you shown him your nature which slowly erupts as Mount Krakatoa?

Or the breath-stealing smoke which emerges from the chimney of your dark summer house?

Answer me!

Did you know your little one too is here?

Ding Dong!

Ding Dong!

Ding Dong!

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# Echoes Of Love

My love for you overturns like a typhoon  
My love for you arrives like an avalanche  
My love for you glows red like a hot rod straight from the blacksmith's forge  
Ethereal love  
Unending love  
You are the one I saw in my dreams  
This is the song my heart sings

My love for you sings like a nightingale  
My love for you blossoms like tulips in spring  
My love for you awakens like sunrise over the horizon  
Supreme love  
Inimitable love  
You are the one I have been seeking  
This is the song my soul sings

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# Tears Of The Stars

Oh, Daylight, why do you look so sad?

A titan riding his fierce horse, Dark Nebula, and morning lost

Cloaks as night and eyes as fire

Oh, Daylight, death has just passed you by!

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# The Sugar Casket

Blood-thirsty dragons in dark caves yawn  
Awake at midnight to hunt the sun  
Ashes spew as they fly  
To bury men in sugar caskets

Horrid sirens the morning sky seize  
Awake at dawn to steal first light  
Shattering souls as they sing  
To bury men in sugar caskets

Vicious werewolves by bonfire twilight seize  
A hunter impaled on a three-pronged fork  
Howling woes as they hunt  
To bury men in sugar caskets

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# Beauty Unsurpassed

Your smile wakes the sun  
The moon glides past and salutes  
Beauty which shakes men like earthquakes  
Beauty unsurpassed

Your face in darkness glows  
Inner beauty darkness stands no chance  
Beauty which drives men like madness  
Beauty unsurpassed

Your love softens warriors' hearts  
Thunder slides past and silence  
Beauty which tames vicious lions  
Beauty unsurpassed

Your voice the angels seduce  
Divine love only the beloved understand  
Beauty inner beauty  
Beauty unsurpassed

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