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My parents were kind of hippies when they had me and thought it would be wicked cool to walk across the U.S while pregnant with me. They thankfully stopped in Boulder CO to rent a room and have me-and later my lil bro. But eventually they split-up and my mom moved us to be raised in KY where she intiated and incouraged my innate love affair with literature. She also bolstered my impeccable grammer and tempered my insatiable hunger to constantly develope my vocabulary.

I came to realize that I also had an affinity for poetry and this was but another venue for my great passion and lifelong aspiration to someday get my works published...regardless of any notion of fame or notability. And via this magnificent and blessed site I am finally taking steps-albeit humble ones- to actualizing my heart's fondest wish and finally accomplishing my lifelong goal! In a simple context, granted but its out there all the same! ! ! XD i might cry for joy!

A Canvas For Van Gogh

Art is life projected With this canvas held dead centre As life is fully reflected On flesh that may long remember

The ultimate canvas, is ones own skin Where is painted the portrait of ones life Beauty by the marring of flesh herein Being by strokes of chance, ink, or knife

And each mark will tell a tale Of some moment caught therein With daring adventures to regale Where whence thou story doth begin

Be it now when death is near Still aye, my marks do me proud As I have lived truly, I know no fear Welcoming Grimm, in my best shroud

A Maddening Ruckus

Noise, noise everywhere And nothing stops the din They do not know, nor do they care Bout thethe agony I'm in!

Convictions Of The Capering Cat

Coy, quirky, and clever Oh magnificent you With snake heads to sever And many vermin to pursue

Charming, crafty, and capricious With copious treats as cantrip To lure a predator so cautious Who, through fingers oft may slip

When all is still aand hushed Cloaked in night's dark shroud Vile being's hopes are crushed By my diligent service as vowed

I'm soft, supple, and sleek For stroking your cares away Your adamant affections I seek Here with you to serve and play

Desire Speaks

Desire is the language of the heart-And the heart Knoweth not How to lie

Guardians And Gateways

I drift but slow on a fog of dream But then my feet, beneath me sand Thou fog hast wrapt me in t'would seem Adrift in this hollow, foresaken land But steady heard I, the soft roaring cry O' the swift, mighty river aye far below The swirl of eddying tide d mine eye With waters clouded near black in their flow But thick and opaque with flotsam would belie What horrors and secrets these waters keep Glimpsing now I, fragment of cadavor float by Struck now numb with horror, else I'd weep But on yon parallel bluff sits a skeletal tree Being perch and post for one great gray host Now turning it's large, unblinking gaze on me This beast of the air, who scares me most With strangled cry, in my terror here fix It stares, like through my soul it doth prowl As it stands silent vigil o'er the River Styx Being guide and guardian, the unwavering Owl

Little Storm Chaser

Standing in the open field Watching the roiling black fury of sky Come harrowing ever closer without yield As brilliant lightning flashes by and by But while I should be quaking with fear I am instead stuck fast in abject wonder Ov'r the magnifecent display of power here Punctuated with cracks of rolling thunder In place of terror, I feel oh so alive I'd not seek cover but rather revel in the rain With the storm coursing throuh my veins, I thrive Now forever changed, ravenous to feel the storm again

Lovely As A Shooting Star

I look down upon this city Like a many facetted jewel Countless tiny suns dance in abstract glory I stand on the knifes edge That I may look across the abyss That is this breath-taking night Oh sweet surrender, take me away To wash my soul in this sea Of sparkling stars And I, wishing without hope That I had wings to fly So I might soar without limits In this fragment of heaven Find that alas, I am ever earth bound Whilst I am yet caught In this unsavory mortal coil

Sweet Youth To Sad Truth

Sunsets and daffodils A sea of golden bliss White lace and fancy frills A stollen kiss Sweet summer days And the fleeting moments of youth Are sadly naught but a phase Life's cruelest joke in this simple truth

The Dragon Bard

Oh Dragon's soul, that breathes the flame Always twisting, learning, and new Passionate yet conceited, you seek not fame While strange, pretty baubles you pursue

Dynamic, tenacious, and charismatic Possessing eloquence, confidence, and poise With cleverness and wit, you're a maverick Ever in pursuit of new escapades and joys

You're stubborn, ruthless, and obstinate Such as all great rulers are known to be You crave attention yet work best in private With stately form and a predilection for tea

Being inherently contradictive and auspicious Inspired your philosophy of intrepid audacity Wary of others who oft are cruel and suspicious Vigilantly remembering mankind's mendacity

Despite many hard lessons, dauntlessly you proceed Finding solace in your passion for diverse art And to dance, sing, and write you still gaily accede As it is pure folly to do aught but follow your heart

The Fogged Lament Of A Broken Soul

Puff puff on the shimmering bit A cloud of thick fragrant smoke I ponder the life's mysteries as i sit Even as I imbibe a hearty toke

My smoke ring is slowly fading Into the thick growing cloud How long have I been waiting Still feeling lost in a crowd

I have no bite, I have no sting Powerless and weak-I stand alone My voice rising in a crescendo-I sing For all my faults I would atone

If only my penance is not yet too late Will no one grant me absolution Prefering to leave me to my fate To suffer in abject contrition

No. No one is coming to lessen my woes I have failed the one dearest to me Heavy is my heart, which scarcely shows How my sorrow feels as deep as the sea

The Knight's Quest

An hourglass with golden sand A meadow in a barren land Sitting sentinel for all to see Alone and lost, in the mist is me I stand guard here, for time untold Awaiting my valient Knight so bold The Knight with his song so sweet That the flora bloom about his feet And this for my Knight so true The heavens gave him, bidding adieu The Knight doth bear a single key Holding fast my captivity And holds my heart, of this I swear To ever love his lady fair Sweet Knight! So brave and bold To face such beasts of old All to save his lady sweet And deemed to sweep her off her feet Forever to be his lady love And ever after his sweet dove

The Last Dance

She danced with Death A beat, a breath Her soul in his palm Still, she remained calm

Barefeet capering on hallowed ground No salvation herein to be found Smiling, Death took the lead Holding her closer than there was need

For she would not think to run And as for tears, she had none Reveling without remorse Knowing Fate has set its coarse

Long had she awaited this day With the Reaper come to sweep her away Spinning, twirling, her body a blur For a moment, Death was unsure

Laughing merrily without a care With gentle waves in her long sable hair Death captures her mouth in a bitter kiss Of eternal bliss