

On hanging out between the worlds...

by jmccurdy

All I know
Is this
There are moments
Im sure
Only my ancestors
Can explain
Moments
When I am surrounded by
Things and energies
That aren't supposed to exist
Moments
When I can feel
The pull
Of memories
I didn't make
Moments
Too powerful
To resist
And I gotta say
Too private
For my soul
To tell my heart about

Wry grins
I have to say
For sure and for certain
Ill never rue the day
I let the fear of
Your opinion of
My crazy
Go away
Because that's the day
I learned how
To let these moments
Sustain me

Wings

by Robert Edwards

In the evening sky
A cloud of music
Opens to the sound of rain
And the piano keys unlock
Five tunes of desire:

If I could write
One song
Through the voice of another

I would.
If I could unclench
The knuckled heart
And surrender

I would.
If I could untouch
Where I have touched
And wounded

I would.
If I could silence
All the instruments of pain

I would.
If I could unwrite
Letters written in ruin

I would. If I could again receive
Your practice of compassion
And the quiet smile
That lights up the clinic room
Like the face of the mothering-moon

I would. Instead, I wrap this poem wearily
And give it wings
To fly for all the others

That have fallen to the ground.

Song of May

by Avendor

I saw the ghost of May hovering
by the Jackberry tree
he said they'll love you
they'll want you, my son

I saw Athena by a well
I said my life's a living hell
she said you'll get better
your joy hasn't even begun

I saw a brunette in a plum dress
in the parking lot of the stars
she took my hand and placed it
around her smooth white neck

She said May is the song
and the rain won't be long
so smile for the cameras
and meet me on the deck

I walked into the forest
to think for a while
and met a refugee from
a faraway foreign land

He was dressed in orange and green
our conversation was serene
around his neck was
a transparent vial of sand

So join me my friends
at the public square downtown
and we'll drink with the goddess of May
till her man comes around

And celebrate with me friends
we'll fight to the bitter end
swinging each other round
our parents will love the sound.



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