

Internet Role-Playing Games

by Daniel Cox

These eyes have witnessed a lifetime of struggle,
 From abroad to so close to home, it's nerve-racking
 Fear and strife stirs in the darkness
 From the screams that are silent before their time,
 To the echoes that resound as a whisper in the journey of life to its very end
 A yell throughout infinity in this new and slightly used realm of space and time
 Continues onward into this undiscovered juncture.
 Emits a tiniest of a spark of hope
 Igniting a grand flame of hope to defeat despair and pain.
 Yes, we have experienced such challenges
 Let it not conquer our hopes and give in to all fear
 Yes, for a period of time we live among our strife
 In our darkest hour till now a new dawn of life in a bright day of glory.
 Our victory not yet complete, but 50 percent loaded
 And then it happens, power outage and files lost
 Waiting to reboot the system.

On the Importance of Perspective

by j.mccurdy

i live
 in a very blessed world
 full of bright new possibilities
 fueled by and fertilized
 by the rich ash of yesterday's failures ...
 how can i
 do anything but succeed
 especially
 when i feel the steady gently cascading kiss
 of sister support
 raining down on me

this was written , while i lived on the block
 the day was particularly cold and wet ...
 so for reals
 it's not
 the circumstance
 it's the mindset

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PORTLAND RESCUE MISSION
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 13207 NE Halsey St
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 02/21 8-10 a.m.

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 8800 SE 80th Ave, Clackamas
 02/28 1-4 p.m.

UNION GOSPEL MISSION
 3 NW 3rd Ave
 02/21 2-4 p.m.
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 2032 College Way, Forest Grove
 02/14 7-9 a.m.

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