## Eye've Seen the Dreamtime, The In-Between Time...

I dreamt of a shadow, grinning and free a mirror-dark shape, photo-negative me lips lean close to whisper soft and sweet "dreams come softly on light-filled shadow feet"

I dreamt I was flying in a watery sky rainbow fins fan a smiling moon she blinks salt-spray from sly silver eyes her piscine suitors blush a shy maroon

I dream that I reach out in invertebrate joy
A shining horde of old and jellied souls
frilled we are thrilled at our remembered touch
long-lost siblings we are many and bold
I see a sky so bright that the sun goes blind
floating lovers gasp, wings and fingers entwined
myriad bells measure endless time
the blind sun weeps, molten gilt and brine

I dreamt of your siren-voice calling me my ear drum snaps in excess of ecstasy my snail-curled organs ring in mute elegy tattered aural lace, organic filigree

I dreamt of a dreamer who was dreaming of me a boat on someone's technicolor R.E.M. sea Land Ho Captain, the morning comes the sun thunders near on a trail of starlight crumbs

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## Once

I was an interstellar manta-ray,
sailing trailing a rainbow slick
of plasma
and blue air
and possibility
wings as wide as a galaxy and skin as smooth as oil.

I've seen the dreamtime,
the in-between time
and I live in a tree that grows
up
and
down
at the same time,
whose roots are pebbled with stars.

They used to call me Ankarat.

I see a brilliant golden grain drifting in the wide vacuum of space; as I draw near, its hazy glow resolves into the hard singularity of a walnut shell which unfurls like a leather flower.

A small
sweet
voice
issues forth and
whispers something in a language
older than stars—

and more beautiful too.

But I am old, the moment gone like a mote in the eye of the universe.



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