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Collage

I am a collage
Consisting of several dynamic cubes
Created by an artist,
Greater than Picasso.

I am a series
Of patch work bric-a-brac;
Framed by regal mahogany
And housed in the mighty gallery
For all of Shakespeare's actors to
see.

I consist of light
Passing through a spectrum at its
speed
Onto my situation: a canvas of
realism.

Many things make me
Into the impression I was chosen to
be.

Nothing can remove my oils
From the annointed canvas.

I am made up of garbage —
As you call it —
Discarded from other canvases
And connected onto mine.
They are no longer alien —
They have become me.

I am a collage;
Created by God for some divine
purpose.

Only my Artist knows why;
But it's not mine to ask.

I am merely to glow illuminated
With the best light
Which perchance falls on me.

J. Eric Robinson
Alton, Ill.

Poet

poet is a
photographer
a smithsonian
institutioner
an image
capturer trying
to save
feeling/flavor
and to
preserve
life
in its
natural
state.

Nancy Travis
Newark, N.J.

Poet: Self-Portrait

Entangled
in your poems
voice
of ancestors

Your fervor
tension
flame that
inspires
ignites
freedom from
oppression

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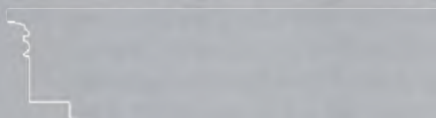
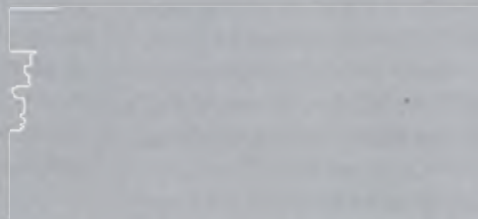
Your idea
volcanic
erupts
molten lava
boom
the struggle
of your people

Entangled
in your poems
voice
of ancestors

Your purpose
guards our earth
our people
keeping
alive all our
hope
for budding

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