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PRESENTATION

IMMAGINE & POESIA is an international artistic literary movement, founded at Alfa Teatro in Torino, Italy, in 2007. Since its inception, IMMAGINE & POESIA has continued to grow. Hundreds of poets and artists from all over the world have participated, and the movement now reaches international audiences.

On the following pages English-speaking poets and French-speaking poets are pleased to share with you their poems and art-works in this anthology, vol. 5, 2018 of Immagine & Poesia.

Poets and artists who have contributed to this issue are members of the Immagine & Poesia movement and are from many countries around the world. Poems/Images are listed in order of arrival of contributions.

You will find at the end of this e-book a list of short biographies of each poet and fine art artist. Also a link on each poet and artist's name below their artwork.

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Sur les pages qui suivent, poètes et artistes d'expression anglaise et d'expression française ont le plaisir de partager avec vous leurs contributions à cette anthologie vol. 5, 2018 de Immagine & Poesia.

Les poètes et artistes ayant contribué à cette publication électronique sont membres du mouvement Immagine & Poesia et proviennent de plusieurs pays autour du monde. Poèmes/Images sont présentés en ordre d'arrivée des participations.

Vous trouverez à la fin de ce livre électonique une courte biographie de chaque poète et artiste. Aussi un lien sur chaque nom de poète et artiste sous leur œuvre.

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San Francisco in the rain

PITY THE NATION

Pity the nation whose people are sheep,
and whose shepherds mislead them.
Pity the nation whose leaders are liars, whose sages are silenced,
and whose bigots haunt the airwaves.

Pity the nation that raises not its voice,
except to praise conquerors and acclaim the bully as hero
and aims to rule the world with force and by torture.

Pity the nation that knows no other language but its own and no other culture but its own.

Pity the nation whose breath is money and sleeps the sleep of the too well fed.

Pity the nation — oh, pity the people who allow their rights to erode and their freedoms to be washed away.

My country, tears of thee, sweet land of liberty.

image by Agneta Falk Hirschman (U.S.A.)

poem by <u>Lawrence Ferlinghetti</u> (U.S.A.) "Courtesy of Lawrence Ferlinghetti"



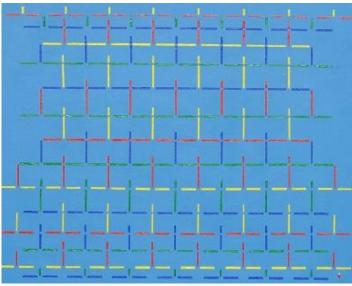
The tree of spirituality

SNOW-COVERED WHITE PETALS

The sign of time
life, as the flow of a flooded river
solitude, chimera in the desert
hope
empowers those who delightfully glorify
the everlasting rhythm of life
the essence, turmoil of the flower-dust
of a puffed flower

snow-covered white petals in the nightfall of white hair wiggly wrinkles cramped hands and sparkling passionate eyes

> poem and image by Maristella Angeli (Italy)



A Reaper

poem and image by Andre Schreuder (Netherlands)

(DON'T FEAR) THE REAPER

The sound of your haltering breath
Reaches the center of my ears
The announcement of your approaching death
Force my eyes to shed salty tears
These waking hours sitting at your side
The suffering and the sorrow
The struggle and a feel of fright
Knowing You will be gone tomorrow.

A full moon rises in the starry sky
We are waiting for the reaper,
In the night you chose to die
Your breath is getting deeper
And when he comes we step aside
for death we cannot hide,
for death we cannot hide.



La Bella

poem and image by Federica Galetto (Italy)

THE MILD GLOW OF LIGHT

This mild glow of light And my rush upon it Seeking treasures where the sky disappears Over the lurking joint of a sorrow Blinding rows of prayers settling in me, poor naked creature I, splendid sight of seagulls I dare beyond my pains Black deep craters of indulgence My non existant costraint And you talking the language I knew when the sun was at the zenith and every stone under my feet was a pillow full of joy a listening skill playing a song just for you (I slept downstairs tonight and you were not there)



Œuvre au bleu

poème et image par Mar Thiériot (Canada/Brésil)

LA LAMPE

« J'étais très triste j'ai dit oui C'est à partir de toi que j'ai dit oui au monde » Paul Éluard

Un poème m'arrive comme un partage des eaux Avant de lire vos phrases saccadées d'une souffrance Qu'elles peuvent à peine contenir Tellement ta douleur déborde de tous les pores du verbe Un poème m'arrive comme la foudre et la grêle Comme la ruine de mes principes de silence et de secret Un poème m'arrive qui m'enjoint à la réponse immédiate Car sa beauté sourde creuse le marbre Où je me terre si souvent Un poème m'arrive Un poème de misère Un poème de solitude Un poème m'arrive juste à temps, Le temps de savoir que lorsque je n'étais plus rien Que je roulais sur la pente Comme une pierre chute avec facilité Vos textes étaient là je n'étais pas tout à fait seule avec le diable Un poème m'arrive Comme une lampe allumée un jour trop froid Dans une allée déserte Merci pour ce poème qui m'arrive À partir de vous ie dis oui.



The blue stars

SONNET ON TIME

Is time a spiral stairway that we climb
Whose unendingness we seek to borrow
To the last wrought syllable of our rhyme
Tomorrow, tomorrow, and tomorrow—
The fusion of the future with the past
In dizzying dimensions ever new
Which hurl us headlong in a void so vast
That what we view as false appears as true?
We must peer through bars forever blocking
Upon the threshold of our promised land—
At the gates of eternity knocking—
Outside we stand— albeit hand in hand.
Through the rush of time we're ceaselessly swirled.
How heartless is the transience of this world!

image by Misako Chida (China/Japan)

poem by Harley White (Spain/U.S.A.)



poème et image <u>Martine Rouhart</u> (Belgique)

LES PETITES FLEURS DE NOS JOIES

Il y aura toujours
cette pensée
pour nous aider à tenir :
les fleurs de nos joies
sont à cueillir
dans la grande plaine
des choses ordinaires
il faut y aller à pas de velours
chaque jour
de nouvelles corolles
s'ouvrent à nos pieds



The Medecine Man

image by Richard K Cortez (U.S.A.)

O GREAT MAN

You understand the whispers of the gentle breeze the wrath of thunder the joy of the sun the catharsis in the rain

As humors embrace disequilibrium the five elements stumble ailments arise The inhabitants rush to you for help

O great man!
The one who has accurate knowledge
of body, mind and soul
You reveal that amidst herbs
there are reliable cures for even scary diseases

O great man! You will always remain our guide our pacifier our healer our eternal savior.

poem by Vatsala Radhakeesoon (Mauritius)



My River

poem and image by Rajnish Mishra (India)

SOUNDLESS STAYS MY RIVER

Soundless stays my river, still, calm, no wind blows. Dark sky and horizon, and wave-twinkling bands, A distant din, faint stars and a crescent that glows With city lights orange over silver-black water, sands. Black is the colour of darkness they say. Black is the colour, at night and in day. Black, it's black of many an un-fixed hue. Some nights there are, when the silent river flows Under the moonless sky: the black of tar. Some are the nights when black goes with blue, The colour of night while the young moon glows. Some are the nights when lights near and far, Spangle the river's black, red, yellow, blue, Lights hurled into sky black; black river too.



Transfigurable

poème et image par <u>Mariela Cordero</u> (Vénézuela)

LES TRACES TRANSFIGURABLES

Tu es transfigurable comme le coup de la main qui doute.

Tu vis stationné dans les artères de l'aube, et retiens la touche turbulente de la nuit alors que tu commences à ressentir la luxure du soleil.

Tu es une couleur qui vient toujours d'une autre.



image by Gordana Babić (Serbia/Thailand)

THE WASHERWOMAN BY THE GANGES RIVER

I walked long to the bridge leading to Hardiwara
There was no sound except the murmur of water
And muffled voices of washerwomen
At one time
It seemed as I was running in the same rhythm of water
And that water flows through my whole being

Then
Washerwomen extinguished lanterns
Water has become black and resinous
Kali - the whole life in the circle of light and darkness

poem by Enesa Mahmic (Bosnia-Herzegovina)

translation by Maida Ajan, English teacher and writer from Bosnia-Herzegovina



UNREQUITED LOVE

Sad memories of a day that June,
When we first met, and then too soon,
You had to leave to go back to
Some place that never noticed you,
Or if it did, it never cared
Because no one there ever stopped and stared
Like I did when I first saw your face,
The most beautiful creation of the human race.
Again I stand alone on this spot
This sad place where I've stood a lot,
Hoping against hope I'd once more see
You smiling as you came back to me.

poem and image by Thomas Higgins (U.K.)



La lumière de l'espérance

poème et image par <u>Salvatore Gucciardo</u> (Belgique/Italie)

ÉBLOUISSEMENT

Le bleu du ciel Caressait les rides de l'océan De mille éclats

Scintillement somptueux Ferveur de l'âme Pépites d'or Sur la cendre volcanique

Les figues de barbarie Exhibaient le vert multiple Sur les montagnes ondulantes

Luxuriance éblouissante Astres fruités Les oranges flamboyantes Sur les branches fragiles Réchauffaient Le cœur des passants

Terre paradisiaque Transmutation Alchimique La fusion des éléments En harmonie Avec l'homme universel



The Humans

image by <u>Jain Lalit</u> (India)

OUR EGO

An ego does not care; the death of the ego will be,
What more is less, when less is more
Love is that you remain standing
Being awake is better than my dreams
This life that I only have one chance,
Never to be seen again, and will only exist in memory
Though somewhat a self surrender of pain
I feel your secret act, your intimate fire;
Anxiety and fear of death no more exists,
Because lots of time has already been spent
And look closely when you do
Take my hand and lead me down the road
The beginning of your real life.

poem by Brajesh Kumar Gupta (India)



PEN

The pen captures the brightness.
When it writes, it throws
The sound of Freedom
In sculpted rays of light
Into the cold chain of dreams
Restless sleeps that are looking for
Hope

photo by
Cândida Mendes (Azores/Portugal)

poem by Gloria Sofia (Cape Verde)



La Traviata

Tanka Poem

Violette
in her opera box
perfumed
bouquet of camellias
l'impulso dell'amore

image by <u>Elaine Whitman</u> poem by <u>Neal Whitman</u> (U.S.A.)



image by <u>Fotini Hamidieli</u> (Greece) poem by <u>Anoucheka Gangabissoon</u> (Mauritius)

OUR NEEDY SOULS!

Our two souls, without each other's support
Would resort to self-destruction,
To self-scarification, to self-immolation
As the pain of having to walk through life's gardens
All alone would feel as if we were drowning
Pulled down by heavy chains tied to our sorrowful hearts!

Our two souls, saviors for each other
Would allow us, when enlaced with each other's trust
And Love,
To bloom into rare pearls, impossible to harvest
As waves would surround us
And depths would protect us
Aiming to see us, shining, solely for each other's pleasure!

Our two souls, lost and roaming since so long
Have come to a state of ecstasy
Why, now, flutes resound in their mystery
Flutes, whose tunes are allowing the residents of the other realms
To dance, entranced,
As if, they needed the power of our Love
To allow the cosmos to keep on being!



Parenthèse Intérieure

Rousseur T'es dans ma peau même si, même si...

Ha! Tes grains de folie...
Si fous si maladroits qu'ils me crayonnent l'âme de gris de chaud de miel...
Si rayonnants qu'ils me pantoisent et me laissent idiot comme un oiseau égaré étourdi de la vitre...

Dans le halo de l'art le miroir est moqueur... Il ressasse les courbes et les flammes et le vent... Et les taches de son en ondes parfumées s'aventurent dans les chimères d'une parenthèse intérieure

Rousseur, j'T'ai dans la peau même si, même si...

poème et image par <u>Claude David</u> (France)



Mal à l'âme

poème et image <u>Jean-Paul Leclercq</u> (Belgique)

RENCONTRE

Surgie du passé Avec à peine Inscrite sur ses joues Une histoire nouvelle Elle brûle toujours Elle danse encore à l'intérieur Et son regard me noue Et je me demande Aime-t-elle encore? Tremble-t-elle encore? Et si je lui touche la main Le ciel va-t-il changer sa couleur? Et je ne le ferai pas Et je ne saurai jamais Ni la couleur du ciel Ni la couleur de ses yeux quand ils chavirent Ni la tiédeur de sa main qui accueille

Parfois frôler les choses Suffit à m'éblouir



poem by <u>Stanley H. Barkan</u> (U.S.A.) image by <u>Adel Gorgy</u> (U.S.A.)

RED WINTER

Spring is green, Summer is gold, Autumn is orange but, though, to some, it's black & white, here Winter is red. The last crimson leaves are gathered in the storm winds . . . covering the earth, the last grasses, the twigs . . . fallen from the now bare branches. Is it the last gasp of fruitfulness, this multiplying to catch the nourishment of sun?

Red Winter is blood time, the season of life's last surge, desperately clinging to lost dreams.



Remains of a War

poem by <u>Peter Thabit Jones</u> (U.K.) image by <u>Adel Gorgy</u> (U.S.A.)

LAMENT FOR SOLDIERS OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR

(in memory of my grandfather)

Your blood is dust, Trenches of rust through history. Your bones shine In the silence of time's mud. Your souls sing in the battling wind.

I wear the redness Of your loss– With a stark eye black as grief. My generation has your graves In our eyes.

You weep in the nights When we cannot sleep, When the rain washes November's dead trees And the sky is as cold

As ashes.



The Cloisters

poem and image by Marsha Solomon (U.S.A.)

THE CLOISTERS

Standing still in a manuscript of time Medieval arches and tapestries Grace the cold stone walls in sacred imagery

Saintly statues nod and tilt on altars In the stillness of the rooms Speaking silently to each other Within the cloistered arches

Rows of flowers, daffodils and hyacinths In orderly patterns in sunny opened spaces Meditative gardens turn the page to the present



poème et image par <u>Huguette Bertrand</u> (Canada)

EN QUELQUES MOTS, ELLE EST

Dehors comme dedans la lumière est partout dans nos crevasses elle s'insinue et rayonne dans l'ombre des tourments et les broussailles du quotidien

elle est poésie dans les plaines comme sur les balcons agit dans la mémoire de l'essentiel

elle s'écrit
elle se dit
elle se chante
sur tous les tons
dans le maintenant
et le toujours jamais
sous nos pas désordonnés

Inutile de la chercher elle est là dehors et au-dedans elle est



Golden splendor

image by
Doranne Alden Caruana (Malta)

TRIUMPHANT DAWNS

How many triumphant dawns
In the right, in life, in honor
tied with tears
wishes, ornaments
In splendor
an unknown fate and
testing

Truths and Desires
swell in the colors of the sky
with winds of love
In dew, an eternal fullness and
youth to redemption and freedom

poem by <u>Eftichia Kapardeli</u> (Greece)



Babel intime

le soir a l'odeur des raisins, tu me racontes une histoire de nuages déguisés en squelettes de poissons qui voguent à pleines voiles (juste comme ça) vers le Babel intime des mots

poème et image par <u>Elis Podnar</u> (Canada/Roumanie)



I'm the wave, you're the ocean

image by Katayoon Firouzi (U.S.A./Iran)

BELONGING

In the direction of my eyes the waves do not cease their process of belonging, dissolution and rebirth. They belong to each other, crown the instinct (and the desire of the observer). There is no research in that meeting but an only intuited project, perfect because not pondered. Thus it is reclining to the lapping, experiencing the wave alternation, not certain, not recognized tied only at its new elevation.

poem by Cristina Codazza (Italy)



Bison

image by <u>R.P. Gopakum</u>ar (Bahrain/India) poem by <u>Meera Nair</u> (India)

BISON

The first time I saw him
He had come to quench his thirst
At a water hole
He drank like a thief
Sly, greedy
And in haste

I traced the contours of his hoof prints I breathed the air that his flapping tail stirred up I stalked his prey

Then I fed on him from near I touched his sleek hide And dangled from the horns on his head

Have you ever seen a wild bison That you have wanted To tame To own To possess



Subliminal meditation of a poet

NEVER ASK A POET!

Never ask a poet about the daylight,
How the dawn rises early
How the sun kills you with its warmness
How you can see the half paths remaining in the past where you first left them
That vision where your eyes start to sparkle and you feel more alive than ever

Never ask a poet about the days that go from the deepest twilights all covered in pity, a lonely moon drowned in a plain lake burned alive with the flames of a fallen star like a permanent shadow of a repentant woman

Never ask a poet how sad is the world How his pain holds the name of autumn Like a fallen angel lost in a world he can't fit in His pieces distributed everywhere and you can hear his scream carved as a chapter in a sad book

Most importantly, never ask a poet about love
It breaks your heart,
leaks like a sin over a rainbow full of colours
Suicidal seasons shine from the innocent spirits and gods knocked down until forever.

poem by <u>Agron Shele</u> (Albania) image by <u>Ilham Badreddine Mahfouz</u> (U.S.A./Syria)



poem and image by Vinita Agarwal (India)

BUTTONS

It was the only room Grandma had to herself a small dark store, between the kitchen and the hall it's air swirling with the fragrance of sandalwood for she lit Chandan incense before her Gods. A space heady with the perfume of black cardamoms, whole wheat flour and ghee sitting in tins ready to be carried to the community ovens and baked into nan khatais. After she passed away. its doors swung open to let the world in. I peered into the spasm of that space expecting to see another world instead, I saw a quiet room curling softly around her absence A small wooden chest sat at the bottom of the racks bursting with balls of wool, bits of tapestries, needles, crochets and a strip of sandalwood buttons. Buttons that had nestled in the pestle of Grandma's hands. Buttons that now fastened memories to tissues of love. That popped open an atmosphere of years gone by a crescendo of time's foliage, dew glistening on every leaf. Architectural medallions of her affection Nipping away the roughness of her death Holding together the frayed edges of time and the wounds of an irreversible parting... Sometimes our limbs are spun in bone lace and our hearts held together by a neat row of buttons sitting in wooden chests, waiting to be discovered silently linking one generation to the next.



Fingerprints

FINGERPRINTS

Perhaps life is hardly more than filling an emptiness which did not exist before but with death leaves behind an even larger emptiness

> a void which elsewhere might fill a void

-who knows.

poem and image by Germain Droogenbroodt (Spain/Belgium)



poem by
Caroline Nazareno-Gabis (Canada/Philippines)
image by Alessandro Actis (Italy)

BLUE WANDERLUST

i am a blue nomad, wandering, one hazy morning sealing my cheeks from winter kisses like a butterfly on a rosebud flaunts its aces creates bravura in an irreplaceable cerulean marquee without deception.

when royalty speaks its fragrant promises hundreds and millions of wings and buds will shatter and wither at this temporal hour.



poem and image by Maki Starfield (Japan)

THE ALIEN'S GARDEN

very mysteriously,
the other day, an alien came
to my garden.
since when did he settle there?
when did I know he was an alien?
i have forgotten.
did I know it from a book I received from a friend?
or maybe it was when I thought about the afterlife
i don't know when that was.

but, as for my question, the alien whispered that he could answer it. there is no doubt in the universe. having doubts seems to be a matter of truth, but it exists separately and inherently. it is only an expression of how each person feels and perceives. if that's the case, he should be able to answer me too. an alien came to my place the alien was for my sake he is for my sake, and that is why he is living in my garden.



poème et image par Chantal Danjou (France)

TEMPS DU BLEU

Un Monde vole en éclats les ailes tombent leur verre brisé couché après le désastre mains en sang qui savait ce qu'il avait tué ?

L'amour dans l'effroi l'Amour avec ses longues robes comme des dents longues ses lendemains froids comme des lointains et la rivière toujours plus inconnue et ses rives où de grandes jarres renversent l'éclat de continuité les bris et l'attente l'argile de chaque contenu



image by <u>Ekaterina Zhadina</u> (Russia)

A TALE OF SHRINKAGE

I shrink a little everyday.
I feel as if with a sharp knife, someone shaves off the uppermost particles of my hand, nose, and ear.
I gradually deflate like a ball kept in the corner of a storeroom.

I am not in need of anything. My children are growing up with excited wings. Day by day I am also getting suited at my workplace, and enough food is being placed on my table.

Yet I, like a shooting star, gradually lose light.
I shrink a little everyday.
My days get shortened.
My nightly sleeping time gets shortened.
The depths of my friendship become shallower.
The fabulous phase of my circular orbit reduces its radius.
My traveling horizon contracts—
I incessantly shrink a little at the turn of each day.

poem by
<u>Hassanal Abdullah</u> (U.S.A./Bangladesh)
Translation by Ekok Soubir (U.S.A.)



Equilibrio

image by <u>Cristiane Campos</u> (Brazil)

REMINISCENCE

Here silence is common, the rest lies in loneliness The humans only chasing the winnowing sands,

Disappeared the fading star, the last thread of the night The tiny egret flaps back, squabbling over fish,

These bird cries, these voices of the water lose to The rocks below, the playful facts roll on,

A butterfly in muted dance, behind which The deep dense forest follows the rifting valley,

Sniff the flower, hoping for a miracle in the swirls of light, the sunrays wash the hills in peace and silence.

Watching it, you have long memorized Each step, each twist, each column and stone.

poem by Gopal Lahiri (India)



Cloud and rainbow

poem and image by Louisa Calio (U.S.A.)

DARK ANGEL OF DOCTOR'S CAVE BEACH

(Montego Bay 1996)

Today I watch the lifeguard from Doctor's Cave Beach who wears a red swim suit, black bandanna, gold chain and gold tooth protectively escort two elderly women from New York across a dangerous street to the beach.

The one who is blind is very slim and slow now. Her beloved friend, a retired Professor has not abandoned her, despite failing health.

She walks briskly along the shoreline, while the life guard carefully and patiently walks beside her lumbering friend.

Each morning they make their way from sand to sea. Each morning he holds the waist of the old blind woman tenderly as she wades out into the gentle waters of Doctor's Cave Beach, the blue green Caribbean, now a fading memory.

Bravely she let's go, trusting, trusting as she must the man with strong arms she cannot see she surrenders into the deep swimming far from the shoreline perhaps making a preparatory ritual for that final journey approaching.

Each winter the women return. Each winter he guides them The Dark Angel of Doctor's Cave Beach.



Butterfly

image by Jongo Park (S-Korea)

BUTTERFLY MOUNTAIN

Ramblers wondered if she was made of stone for she seldom moved: each strand of hair stayed in place when breezes blew. She lived alone

among the stems and stalks with their parade of petals. Her dress was full of flounces, yet its pleats sagged in gullies of brocade.

She stood as boat followed boat in dances that led them out to sea. The highest peak hunched towards the ramblers as swift glances

were exchanged, but the woman never spoke. One day she unfurled her hand, allowing a butterfly to rest. She dared to look.

Sequin scales of burnished bronze were glowing. Lashes fluttered: tears of joy were flowing.

poem by Caroline Gill (U.K.)



Death
is to return into
the motherly Earth
the fatherly sky,
and the great Universe

image by Gloria Keh (Singapore)

Gogyoshi by <u>Taro Aizu</u> (Japan)



PRAYING ISLANDS

Tulips, at the end of spring

Throwing their body

On the floor of the Shumidan platform.

Even the flowers are praying for the island.

That's the Japanese archipelago

image by <u>Lidia Chiarelli</u> (Italy) poem by <u>Mariko Sumikura</u> (Japan)



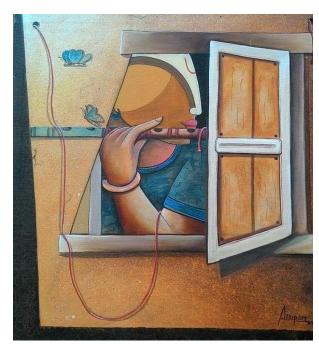
TINY TITANIA

Dans sa robe automnale, elle est minuscule et rayonne comme un tableau de Chagall, la musicienne de rue saluée à l'angle de la place

Toute bossue comme sortie de la bogue d'une châtaigne la petite fée de l'automne agite son archet et la main du vent la soulève et l'emporte,

elle et son violon dans le tourbillon roux de sa robe de feuilles mortes.

poème et image par <u>Marilyne Bertoncini</u> (France)



The Window of Love

image by Anupam Pal (India)

EVERY HOME A GALLERY

"Every home a gallery. Every window a canvas." says the Window Fashions corner at Costco. For an idle poet munching on a 100% kosher beef hot-dog under a red and white beach-parasol with no sun, no sand, no bikinis around, the two lines represented a glimmer of hope. The unending procession of shopping carts piled high with paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergents and dishwashing liquids along with crates of clamshell strawberries, 20 pound bags of dog chow, keeps her wondering what their gallery would look like and what kind of canvases would be hanging. Will they make it all the way to a museum?

poem by Kyung-Nyun Richards (U.S.A./S-Korea)



The Angels Have Come

poem and image by Carolyn Mary Kleefeld (U.S.A.)

ETERNAL GAZE

(for DC)

The winter breeze ripples the trees to tremor near my lagoon, where I swim in self-imposed exile, amid the gardens of paradise.

Before long, my heart begins to sing, rising from the subterranean victorious.
And I beam with gratitude for the angels that have offered me such love on this journey.

Now, when I behold the infinite ocean, I see with an eternal gaze and feel my beloved's golden embrace.



THE LIFE'S CONCERT PITCHS

Life,

A symphony,

Named is... Time,

Sometime,...

The refrain is so boisterous.

image by Gloria Keh (Singapore)

poem by Xuan Tan Trinh (Vietnam)



Grandangolo

image by Anna Cervellera (Italy)

SKY

Since when we believe in the spiritual future of heavens?
The sky is still romantic for lovers and poets, but puts questions to our ignorance.
Truth is: the sky is the field for interplanetary flights and the highway in which aliens will come to discover the habitants of Earth.

poem by <u>Teresinka Pereira</u> (U.S.A./Brazil)



image and poem by Yesim Agaoglu (Turkey)

ICY POEM

ice blooming tulip
derwish whirling on ice
white falcon black eagle
wings frozen in ice
rudolf's slender legs
a balerinas arms outstretched to the sky
thornes growing along
the icy path leading to god
a swan breathing his last on the ice
the body of an ice- drowned lily- of- the- pond

while you, how very hot you are as if challenging all things icy how hot your stallactites and stallagmites wish you were here so all the ice could melt



Scamaill

image by Donna McGee (Ireland)

SNOWLINE

Roughly, at the same height of Every rocky mountain Rising

Above all Seasonal change

A snowline is widely and cursively cut

As if to bite a whole patch of Sky from heaven With rows of rows of Whale-like teeth

poem by Yuan Changming (Canada/China)



Lost on the moors

image by Hazel Cashmore (Scotland)

Ici, les vapeurs de l'étang ont la couleur du ciel. De l'arbre en fleurs à l'arbre mort, quelle distance nous sépare. La mousse colore encore le printemps des pierres alors que les aiguilles mortes recouvrent déjà tout un désert de ronces. Le fleuve est sombre ce matin et la pluie va tomber. Ne pas sombrer aux creux de la vague que porte le vent qui se lève.

Seul Sur ma barque de passage

Je songe

Et regarde un nuage Qui s'enfuit au loin

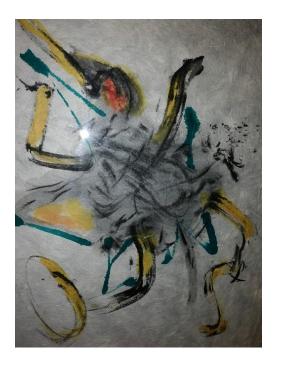
poème par Richard Taillefer (France)



poem and image by Ram Mohan (India)

UNFOLDED MYSTICISM OF LOVE

Tears of joy Gratitude My birth is dragging me from So many wombs Still not fulfilled Always the time is playing mischief on me The syllables of inferno Am I paying reverence to the life and love? Seeing huge mountains in front And I am being hidden in its shadow Is there anything to understand? Or. ...Everything in this existence is understood? Flowing like a river in search of repent Still I am wet What else remains? Beauty of my thought? Sometimes you Sometimes me



On m'avait volé la mer
On m'avait volé les coquillages
Les figues et les cigales
Mais sur mon épaule s'était perché un oiseau
La brise était légère
Elle n'appartenait qu'à moi

image par
Robert Notenboom (France)

poème par
<u>Annie Deveaux Berthelot</u> (France)



poem and image by <u>Alejandra Miranda</u> (Argentina)

WINTER'S LIGHT

The world became a line **HORIZON** And slowly it zooms in to me The time becomes white, hard and rough. Soft cold winter's light RELENTLESS When the borders of the mind are erased all paths seem possible There are not voices to follow **SILENCE** Inside myself an emptiness full of avid chasms The arrow has been thrown to the center WOUND



La Memoria del Diamante

image by <u>Raymundo Garza Lozano</u> (Mexico) poem by <u>Adesina Ajala</u> (Nigeria)

MEDALS

Lips often chant the charm of a stunning moonlight,
That swallows the sallow, dark nights - lest we forget, it is a burning sun that wraps itself into the torch behind the stoic, undeterred back of the moon.

Silent nights whispering mysteries, Libations of sweats appeasing goals - the painful pangs procreating pomp, pageantry & prizes.

These are the beautiful ugly stories of how ordinary souls wear cologne of honours on unbroken spirits,
Of how we scribble ourselves on the plaque of champions.

Brandishing the glitz of our medals, While momentarily we are benumbed to the glitches that chiselled them into shape.

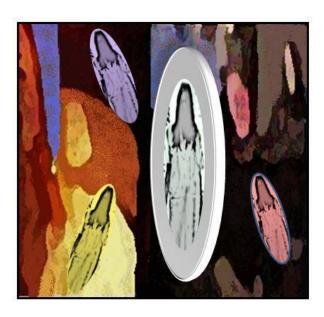


Alone

I will gather the words will find courage colours and shapes in excess of word colours and shapes

I will build a house with a landscape

poem and image by <u>Christopher Ogonowski</u> (Poland)



poem by <u>Timileyin Gabriel Olajuwon</u> (Nigeria)

REFLECTION

When you look into a mirror,
How do you explain the spots in your shadow:
Do you see a ghost or a vast coast,
a silent grave or a burning altar,
a swaying dove or a playing cat,
a body, a soul or a spirit fighting your ageless self?

Mama said " a woman's heart is a reflection of self; it is a talking drum of two faces, what face you see is whom you've become; when you see a silence like the calm ocean or an emptiness like a withered leaf, look beyond your eyes to see the shadow in your darkest hour & be the silence in graveyards of living souls... "

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This is how to begin a journey into a woman's heart:
"Begin with a reflection of self & end with an expression of silence"



ANEMONE

anemone flakes
rocked by the wind
forgotten love
tears and drops of blood
Aphrodite and Adonis
in the flowers

poem and image by Mirek Antoniewicz (Poland)



poème et image par <u>Claudine Lavit</u> (Maroc/France)

DIAPHANIE

De rebond en rebond nos parcours escarpés s'apaisent drainés par l'opalescente vérité émergeant de nulle part

Tout se décante tout s'aplanit dans cette harmonie diaphane

Et l'interaction de nos vouloirs converge peu à peu jusqu'au cœur de nos vies

Renaissance intérieure loin des autres pour les autres



Mon bateau fantôme

image et poème par <u>Alix Arduinna</u> (France)

DIALOGUE

D'où viens-tu? Je viens de naguère, me suis posée un instant aux rives de l'estran. Où vas-tu? Je navigue entre terre et mer, sans un mot, sans un geste et sans un mouvement, cramponnée aux franges du temps. Qu'attends-tu? Tout, rien et bien plus encore: entrevoir l'île aux mille trésors, m'y poser un moment pour danser dans le vent. Qui es-tu? Je suis un être parlant le langage des vivants, mais, par un mauvais enchantement personne ne m'entend.



poem by Sunita Paul (India)

MY DURGA

Your Durga comes with great pomp and joy My Durga (as a poor child) does not get even a broken toy

Your Durga is full of lights

My Durga (here a prostitute) in the bed only satisfies at night

Your Durga is made of mud and clay

My Durga (an aborted girl child) sometimes never see the light of day

Your Durga is only awesome and grand

My Durga(a poor young lady) finds hard a place in this world to stand.

Your Durga comes every year only for a week

My Durga(the child in poverty)here the whole year is feeble and weak

Your Durga is celebrated and worshipped

My Durga(the tortured housewives) is only abused and whipped

Your Durga comes with divine grace

My Durga(an average woman) here struggles in the life's race

Your Durga comes with powers to fight the evils

My Durga(a raped female)here is torn to pieces by the devils

Your Durga is also a girl and a woman

But why My Durga is always treated as a bane???



The kiss - homage to Rodin

image by Stefania Sabatino (Italy)

A KISS

A kiss, it was necessary a kiss, a lost quiver, in the eternal space a mark of the unique time gone past, a token cut on the lips, of loving a legacy in Winter's beginning, as a seal of the story and of the talk.

poem by Raffaele Ragone (Italy)



poem by
<u>Tzemin Ition Tsai (蔡澤民博士)</u> (Taiwan)
image by
Liang-Hui Liu (劉良惠) (Taiwan)

WHO COOLED DOWN THE SETTING SUN

That tide infested waywardly my sandy beach Sunset's advice With red eyes No day to let off In the past ten million years

Those ungrateful westerlies
Always secretly come and also secretly go
To turn
The giant fan of that wind power tower
For the confrontation between man and nature
Do not say a word

Clean up
Those gauzes hanging in the surrounding
My heart does not understand
How to deal with the questions of the little fishes
Are those fine meshes able to catch the autumn wind?
Are those fine meshes able to catch the cold before jumping into the sea?



Sunset

poem and image by <u>Helen Bar-Lev</u> (Israel)

LATE LIFE LOVE

Tastier the fruit than the blossom stronger the tree than the sapling fiercer the fire than the kindling more powerful the lion than the cub more beautiful the flower than the bud or the swan the signet wiser the owl than the owlet more exquisite the peacock than the chick or the painting than the pigment more brilliant the glass than the sand or the milky way than a star more elegant a meow than a mewl more enduring the oak than the acorn more mellow the oboe than a note more profound the poem than a word Lovelier the sunset than sunrise



poem and image by Ann Bagnall (Australia)

THE FOUR WINDS WHISPER YOUR NAME

The magnolias are blooming Petals falling like tears I think suddenly of you my beloved Your touch is forever lost to me Yet I still feel your breath upon my skin And your eyes they ever haunt me The four winds whisper your name In endless sweet melancholy Emptiness descends upon me Fills me to overflowing Memories serenade me So mournfully Without you the seasons keep on turning The sun bleeds anew into each dawning day And darkness swallows light For each passing night Hope still stretches her tired wings And I am waiting for you my beloved As you are ever waiting For me



poem par Jean-Pierre Mallet (France)

LA GESTE

L'astre se lève orange à la pointe des fleurs, En bel atour j'ai vu passer l'ombre éphémère... Ainsi l'amour si fou qu'envoûte la chimère Est un beau rêve d'aube où perleront les pleurs!

Vois sur la grève ouverte au miroir des douleurs, Naître le jour extrême et les voiliers d'Homère, De quelle tour fuyant l'ire de l'onde amère, L'oiseau s'élève et lance en faisceaux ses couleurs?!

Son joli chant, offert aux chœurs des mélopées, S'en va cherchant la lyre; ivre encor d'épopées, La voix céleste sonne au cristal bleu du soir!

De l'univers qui fait rebondir les étoiles, Voici la geste pure où sommeille l'espoir, Rimant mes vers qu'un souffle enflamme toutes voiles!



poem and image by <u>Niladri Mahajan</u> (India)

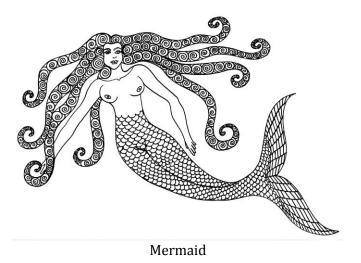
MORNING IN GHUM DARJEELING

In the deeper relam of light
We exist in awakening.
Light is here as mist.
Light is in buoyant float.
Light is tender, blooming petal.

We're mingling in it's fragrance.

Our existence is a flowering beauty...

And we sit in silence.



poem and image by Mia Barkan Clarke (U.S.A.)

THE SONG OF THE SIREN

The siren calls you through the hiss of a never-ending crash lamenting evening waves pulls you toward me through the deep dark blue The tide is strong draws you in closer, closer The sapphire sea blends with my tears longing for you I wait on cold wet boulders jetting out from shallow reefs I wave you in while I sing my haunting song I remove the shells from my breasts finger comb my hair place the pearls around my neck The night slowly sets on my shoulders Your wooden ship delivers you home to me as you dive in and swim toward me your eyes sparkle bright with longing I reach my hand to yours and bring you in You kiss the salty sea tears that roll down my face as you promise to never leave again



Sunset in a cup

poem by <u>Lidia Chiarelli</u> (Italy) image by <u>Gianpiero Actis</u> (Italy)

THE VESTAL VIRGIN

Bring me the sunset in a cup **Emily Dickinson**

Your room
as a faded tapestry
your room as an ancient temple
where
you Vestal Virgin
in lily white tunic
dwell
and keep the secret of your days.

Outside
a hostile stone sky
oppresses the end of winter.
Biting winds rage
on a foreign landscape,
confusing shadows
in sunset's violet stripes.

On the far horizon invisible kingdoms gradually take shape and you after all this time are still waiting and listening to the sweet tunes of a timeless lullaby

BIOGRAPHIES



Ferlinghetti, Lawrence (U.S.A.)

Lawrence Ferlinghetti is an American poet, painter and liberal activist. Co-founder of City Lights Bookstore in San Francisco where the Beat Generation writers made their headquarters. San Francisco Poet Laureate in 1998. He has received numerous awards.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lawrence Ferlinghetti https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lKCblAJtzgE



Falk Hirschman, Agneta (U.S.A.)

Agneta Falk Hirschman is a poet and Anglo-Swedish artist. She is well-known for her fight against human trafficking, a struggle that has become the theme of some of her poetic production. Married to the American poet Jack Hirschman, she currently lives in San Francisco where she writes and paints. https://it.wikipedia.org/wiki/Agneta Falk



Angeli, Maristella (Italy)

Maristella Angeli is a poetess, fantasy writer and painter who has always felt the need to express herself in different artistic forms. She has published nine poetic collections, two fantasy novels, and has exhibited his paintings in personal, collective and international events.

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Schreuder, Andre (Nertherlands)

Andre Schreuder, born in Delft The Netherlands, 1960, painter and poet. Published: Fair and Square; The Borderline of Art; Paintings and Poetry, and a book in dutch rhyme, about stories from the east. My paintings are inspired by all the great painters around the 1900's. http://www.schreuder-art.nl/



Galetto, Federica (Italy)Federica Galetto is an italian poet, writer and collagiste. Her work has been published on paper and e-book. https://lalepreeilcerchio.wordpress.com/



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Mar Thieriot est née en 1965 au Brésil issue de cultures brésilienne et française, Docteure en Éducation, culture et société, elle est auteure de nombreux ouvrages de philosophie et de poésie. Elle a rédigé un roman poétique dernièrement *Fausta* où elle concrétise ses recherches sur les interrelations entre la femme, l'intelligence, la beauté et le mal, interrelations qu'elle interroge et qui demandent un approfondissement.

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White, Harley (Spain/U.S.A.)

Harley White is a born word-lover and has written works dealing in fairy tales, musical theater, many genres of poetry, and awakenings, as well as a book titled *The Autobiography of a Granada Cat – As told to Harley White*. For many years, she has been a follower of the Buddhism of Nichiren Daishonin and its practice of Nam Myoho Renge Kyo.

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http://the-autobiography-of-a-granada-cat.com/



Chida, Misako (Japan/China)

Misako Chida was was born in Yokohama, Japan, and she currently lives in Dalian, China. She started painting at the age of 30 on her own and has been publishing her works mostly in China since then. Her main works are oil and Chinese ink paintings, but currently, she also likes experimenting with photo collage.

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Rouhart, Martine (Belgique)

Romancière, Martine Rouhart aime écrire aussi des poèmes, des textes brefs qui captent l'instant, une émotion, une image. Membre de l'Association des écrivains belges / Membre du Conseil d'Administration de l'Association Royale des écrivains et artistes de Wallonie.

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Vatsala Radhakeesoon is a published Mauritian author/poet. She writes poems and short stories for adults and children. Her works mainly center on emotional issues, social facts, historical facts, spiritual quest and childhood innocence.

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Richard K Cortez was born in Roswell Air Force Base, New Mexico as the son of a B-17 pilot. His works are noted for his natural, spiritual portrayal of Native American, Southwestern, East Indian, Egyptian, fantasy and contemporary abstract genres.

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Mahmić, Enesa (Bosnia-Herzegovina)

Enesa Mahmić (1989) is a member of PEN Center Bosnia-Herzegovina. She published 4 poetry collections. Her poems have been translated into 7 languages- included in several international anthologies. http://penbih.ba/2017/02/enesa-mahmic-poezija/



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Higgins, Thomas (U.K.)

Thomas Higgins started to write poetry at the age of fifty five when he felt he had an urge to say something. He has written several hundred poems since then. He is an artist too. He lives in the far North West of England in what is called the Lake District

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Salvatore Gucciardo est peintre, poète et dessinateur de renommée internationale. Il figure dans plusieurs dictionnaires. Ses œuvres se trouvent dans des musées. Il a déjà publié des recueils de poèmes et figure dans plusieurs anthologies poétiques.

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Lalit, Jain (India)

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Gloria Sofia is Majored in engineering and Environmental Management at the University of Azores. She develops various activities in different cultural areas. Nominated as a candidate for the Rolex Mentor and Protégé Arts Initiative. She has musicalized poems. Festival poetry in Istambul and Romania; four anthologies in translation.

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Whitman, Elaine and Neal (U.S.A.)

Elaine and Neal Whitman live in Pacific Grove, California, where they are inspired by the beauty of the Monterey Peninsula. One of the local attractions is the City of Santa Cruz, on the opposite side of Monterey Bay where they visit to find images and words that lead to a collaboration between photographer and poet. http://syndicjournal.us/syndic-no-2/hospice-flute-music-photography-by-elaine-whitman/ https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poets/neal-whitman-56d206b54940a



Gangabissoon, Anoucheka (Mauritius)

Anoucheka Gangabissoon is a primary school educator in Mauritius. She writes poetry and short stories. Her works can be read in various literary magazines like SETU, Different Truths, Dissident Voice, In Between Hangovers Press. She has also been published in Duane's Poetree and also in two anthologies for the Immagine and Poesia group. Her poems are often placed in free online contests.

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Fotini Hamidieli is a painter working in Greece. She has had 14 solo exhibitions and has participated in more than 100 group shows. Her work has been shown internationally and she is a member of the art group TeeToTum.

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David, Claude (France)

Claude David a écrit plusieurs recueils de poésie. Il anime un atelier d'expression poétique là où il vit, en France, près de Poitiers. Il interprète sur scène ses poésies et celles d'autres auteurs. Les courbes, la douceur et la poésie habitent ses sculptures sur bois.

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Jean-Paul Leclercq est né à Verviers (Belgique). Poète, aphoriste, nouvelliste, conteur, à peine romancier, auteur de livres pour enfants, de récits de voyage, d'une pièce de théâtre. En général fasciné par le texte court. http://www.liraloeil.be/



Barkan, Stanley H. (U.S.A)

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Gorgy, Adel (U.S.A.)

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Thabit Jones, Peter (U.K.)

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Solomon, Marsha (USA)

Marsha Solomon has been living and working as a painter and a poet in New York. Her work has been presented in museums and galleries in the US and Europe, and has been the subject of six solo exhibitions.

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Bertrand, Huguette (Canada)

Poète et éditrice, Huguette Bertrand a publié 37 ouvrages de poésie dont six (6) ouvrages en collaboration avec des artistes en art visuel et photographie. De nombreux textes ont également paru dans des revues et anthologies au Québec, Belgique, France, U.S.A, Pays de Galles, Roumanie, Inde, de même que dans des revues en ligne. Certains poèmes ont été traduits en arabe, roumain, italien, coréen, japonais.

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Kapardeli, Eftichia (Greece)

Eftichia Kapardeli born in Athens, Greece, and lives in Patras She studied journalism. She has a section at the University of Cyprus in Greek culture. She has a Doctorate from Arts and Culture World Academy. She is s a member of the world poets society, member of the IWA (International Writers), member of the Poetas Del Mundo. http://eftichiakapa.blogspot.gr/2013 10 01 archive.html



Alden Caruana, Doranne (Malta)

Doranne Alden Caruana is a professional artist, international art tutor, graphic designer and fine art photographer whose medium of choice is watercolour. She currently lives in Malta, but has also worked and lived for several years in Germany. Her career in the art world spans over 3 decades.

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Podnar, Elis (Canada/Roumanie)

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Codazza, Cristina (Italy)

Cristina Codazza was born in Turin, Italy where she lives and works. Author of poems, haiku and short stories, she is creator and curator of literary and artistic events for the disclosure of Italian and foreign Poetry. Jury member in national and international literary prizes, she is also curator of prefaces and critical analysis of texts and poetry anthologies.

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Firouzi, Katayoon (U.S.A./Iran)

Katayoon Firouzi was Born in 1974 in Iran and living in U.S.A.. She studied Industrial design and Graphic design. Color, light and "the invisible (nature's silence)" are the media of her paintings. She likes to take her viewer to the journey, surprises him, makes him to see her own hidden emotions. Her paintings are her way of contemplation. She observes, contemplates, concentrates and meditates. She thinks that Art is not what you see, but what you make others to see.

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Nair, Meera (India)

Meera Nair has always been engaged in creative writing. Her short stories and poems have been published in various journals and have won numerous prizes. Her first book of poems won her the second place at the Muse India Young Writers Award 2015. Her poems have been adapted to the stage. She has recently worked on an Indo–French creative collaboration and her writing has been staged in prestigious venues across the country. https://www.laughalaughi.com/interviews/meera-nair/



Gopakumar R.P.(India)

R. P. Gopakumar is an Indian artist based in Bahrain. He works in different media including Digital Art, Motion Photography, Installation, Drawing, Painting and Print. He believes the work of art should change the existing visual, intellectual and aesthetic sense and experiments with finding new visual phenomena. His motion photography was shortlisted by the Saatchi Gallery London and Google+ for their inaugural Motion Photography Prize. http://www.gopakumar.in



Shele, Agron (Belgium/Albania)

Agron Shele was born in October 7th, 1972, in Albania. He is the author of the following literary works: *The Steps of Clara* (Novel), *Beyond a grey curtain* (Novel), *Wrong Image* (Novel), *Innocent Passage* (Poetry) and *Ese-I*. Agron Shele is President of the International Poetical Galaxy "Atunis". https://atunispoetry.com/



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https://www.vinitawords.com/



Droogenbroodt, Germain (Spain/Belgium)

Germain Droogenbroodt is a poet, translator, publisher and promoter of international poetry. He wrote 13 books of poetry, influenced by oriental philosophy published in 28 countries, awarded with poetry prizes from all over the world, in Bangladesh, Belgium, France, Japan, Mongolia, Romania, Spain... including the Premio Speciale di Liegro in Italy which he received at the Capitol of Rome. He was nominated last year for the Nobel Prize of Literature. http://www.point-editions.com



Nazareno-Gabis, Caroline (Canada/Philippines)

Caroline Nazareno-Gabis a.k.a. Ceri Naz, known as a poet of peace and friendship. She won several International Prizes including "The Amazing Poet Award 2015" by Writers International Network Society-Canada; The Frang Bardhi Literary Prize 2014 (Albania); the sair-gazeteci or Poet Journalist Award 2014 (Tuzla, Istanbul, Turkey) and World Poetry Empowered Poet 2013 (Vancouver, Canada)

https://apwriters.org/author/ceri_naz/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T7S2Sh23W00



Actis, Alessandro (Italy)

Alessandro Actis was born and educated in Torino (Italy). Eye surgeon with a deep interest in photography. Exhibitions in Italy and abroad. Member of Immagine & Poesia Movement. Artist in residence at Adel Gorgy's photography courses in Long Island (NY) in 2010 and 2012

http://alessandroactis.jimdo.com/



Starfield, Maki (Japan)

Maki Starfield was born in Japan where she studied English and American literature, teaching and business, with further work in Canada. She has published poems, haikus and translations in JUNPA publications http://www.ama-hashi.com



Danjou, Chantal (France)

Auteure d'une trentaine d'ouvrages (poésie, essai, prose), critique littéraire, par ailleurs membre du conseil de rédaction des Editions Encres Vives, Chantal Danjou vit et travaille aujourd'hui dans le Var après un long séjour parisien.

www.sgdl-auteurs.org/chantal-danjou/index.php



Abdullah, Hassanal (U.S.A./Bangladesh)

Hassanal Abdullah is the author of 40 books in different genres. He is the editor of Shabdaguchha, an International Poetry Magazine, and a NYC High School math teacher. His work has been translated into seven different languages and was widely published around the world. He received Homer European Medal for Poetry in 2016 and was nominated for the Pushcart Prize twice.

http://www.shabdaguchha.com/hassanalAbdullah.html



Zhadina, Ekaterina (Russia)

Ekaterina Zhadina's artworks are created without any rules and limitations, they remind of primitive people's art and are turned to the roots of artistic creativity that come from the depth of the subconscious and that rely on instincts, memory and imagination.

http://11-12gallery.com/en/artists/ekaterina-zhadina#biohttps://www.facebook.com/ezhadina



Lahiri, Gopal (India)

Gopal Lahiri was born and grew up in Kolkata and lives now in Mumbai, India. He is a bilingual poet, writer, editor, critic and translator and published in Bengali and English language. He has had seven collections of poems in Bengali and eight collections in English and edited one anthology of poems. https://www.facebook.com/glahiri



Campos, Cristiane (Brazil)

Cristiane Campos lives in Ubatuba, Brazil. Self-taught artist, she uses Art as a means of expressing emotions and states of mind. Her paintings show various techniques with different themes and styles. Since 1991, her artworks have been presented at solo and group exhibitions in Brazil and abroad. http://www.cristianecampos.com.br/



Calio, Louisa (U.S.A.)

Louisa Calio is an internationally published, award winning author, whose work has been translated into Italian, Russian, Sicilian and Korean. She won first prize for her poems "Signifyin woman" and "Bhari" in Sicily, was finalist for Poet Laureate of Nassau County. Her latest book, *Journey to the Heart Waters* was published by Legas Press in 2014. She has exhibited and curated several exhibits with her photos Round Hill Resort in Jamaica, WI including: A Passion for Africa and A Passion for Jamaica.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Louisa Calio



Gill, Caroline (U.K.)

Caroline Gill's 2012 chapbook, *The Holy Place*, co-authored with John Dotson, was published by The Seventh Quarry (Wales), in conjunction with Cross-Cultural Communications (New York). http://www.carolinegillpoetry.com



Park, Jongo (S-Korea)

Self-taught artist Jongo Park takes his inspiration from the artists of the Renaissance and paints mainly female subjects. Most of his works are watercolor, pencil, pen and small size. He has exhibited his paintings mainly in Italy.

http://thedeep5.woobi.co.kr/

https://www.facebook.com/jongo.park



Aizu, Taro (Japan)

Taro Aizu (Japan) has been writing haiku for 20 years and gogyoshi (five-line poetry) for 12 years featuring common scenes from the four respective seasons in Fukushima. He focuses on the rural landscape and people's feelings for the land they inherited from their ancestors. His works are translated into different languages.

https://gogyoshiartproject.wordpress.com/2013/11/27/what-is-a-gogyoshi/

https://www.facebook.com/taro.aizu



Keh, Gloria (Singapore)

Gloria Keh began serious study in mandala art and symbolism in 1996 in Melbourne. Her teacher, Georgina Fode of the Theosophical Society, played an important role in her development as an artist. She also undertook a short study course in art therapy. Says Gloria: "Painting provides me with a form of meditation, and I find inner peace and healing through my art."

https://www.gloriakeh.com/



Sumikura, Mariko (Japan)

Poet, essayist, Mariko Sumikura was born in Kyoto, Graduated from Ristumeikan University. Representative of Japan Universal Poets Association, Chief-in-editors of online international journal "Poetic-Bridge: Ama-Hashi" and JUNPA BOOKS. Main publication: *Kokoro Kaoru H*ito; *Yume Tsumugu Hito*; *Hikari Oru Hito*; *Ai Matou Hito*; *Tsuchi daku Masurao*.

http://www.ama-hashi.com/



Bertoncini, Marilyne (France)

Marilyne Bertoncini, poète, traductrice, co-directrice de la revue <u>Recours au Poème</u>. Ses travaux sont publiés dans diverses revues françaises et internationales. Dernières publications : *La Dernière Oeuvre de Phidias*, Jacques André éditeur, 2017; *L'Anneau de Chillida*, *L'Atelier du Grand Tétras* (à paraître, mai 2018)

http://minotaura.unblog.fr/a-propos-de-moi/

http://www.recoursaupoeme.fr/



Richards, Kyung-Nyun (U.S.A./ S-Korea)

Kyung-Nyun Kim Richards is a poet, essayist, and award-winning translator of Korean literature. Bilingual and biliterate in both Korean and English. She writes in both languages. Her publications include four volumes of translations; two collections of original poems: *Vision Test* and *From East to West, poetry*, as co-author, Edition En Marge, Canada, 2017.

http://koreanliteraturenow.com/translator/profile/kyung-nyun-kim-richards http://library.klti.or.kr/taxonomy/term/5681



Pal, Anupam (India)

Anupam Pal is a contemporary artist with a unique style. His works are mostly in acrylic inspired by Indian traditions and mythology. His iconography lies in the strikingly unconventional forms and figures. Another characteristic is the Ethnic Backdrop which Anupam adopts for his artworks. They radiate a certain earthiness and make his artworks more appealing.

https://anupampal.weebly.com/about-anupam-pal.html



Kleefeld, Carolyn Mary (U.S.A.)

Carolyn Mary Kleefeld, artist, poet, author, lives in Big Sur, CA. Author of 19 books, her writings have been translated into over 7 languages and have been used in University classes and healing centers worldwide. Her art appears internationally in galleries, museums, and private collections.

http://www.carolynmarykleefeld.com/



Trinh, Xuan Tan (Vietnam)

Xuan Tan Trinh is a poet living in Vietnam and is a member of Gogyoshi Poetry Groups: Vietnam, Japan, Singapore. https://www.facebook.com/xuantan.trinh.5



Pereira, Teresinka (U.S.A./Brazil)

Teresinka Pereira is a Brazilian-American poet, President of the International Writers and Artists Association (IWA). President of the International Congress of the Society of Latin Culture. In 1972 she received the National Prize for Theater in Brazil. Nominated Poet of the Year by the Canadian Society of Poets in 1977. Multi awarded poet. Since 1989 she has been a member of the North American Academy of Spanish Language.

http://www.antoniomiranda.com.br/iberoamerica/est %20unidos amc/terezinka pereira.html



Cervellera, Anna (Italy).

Since 1996 Anna Cervellera has worked on landscapes and still life paintings which are transfigured with incisive brushstrokes and show an emotional immediacy. Her works are in several collections in Italy and abroad. Art critics appreciate her constant search for new pictorial paths.

http://www.annacervellera.net



Agaoglu, Yesim (Turkey)

Yesim Agaoglu was born in Istanbul. She took her undergraduate degree from Istanbul University in Art History and Archaeology, then a Master's in Radio, TV and Cinema. Her poems have appeared in various anthologies, and her published books of poetry have been translated into many languages. She frequently participates in international literary and poetry festivals, as well as gaining recognition internationally as a contemporary artist.

http://yesimpoetry.blogspot.ca/p/other-languages.html

http://www.yesimart.blogspot.com



Changming, Yuan (Canada)

Yuan Changming, ten-time Pushcart and three-time Best of the Net nominee, published monographs on translation before leaving China. With a Canadian PhD in English, Changming currently edits *Poetry Pacific* with Allen Yuan in Vancouver; credits include *Best of the Best Canadian Poetry* (2008-17), *BestNewPoemsOnline, Threepenny Review* and 1,429 others worldwide.

http://poetrypacific.blogspot.ca



McGee, Donna (Ireland)

Donna is a self-taught Dublin artist - she derives her inspiration from the timeless beauty of the Irish landscape. She exhibits in selected galleries and group exhibitions where her work is represented in collections both in Ireland and abroad. She is the recipient of a number of international awards and is a member of Visual Arts Ireland and The Dublin Art Society.

http://www.donnamcgee.ie



Taillefer, Richard (France)

Richard Taillefer est né le 21 avril 1951 à Montmeyan dans le Var. Onze recueils publiés. Cofondateur de la revue <u>Poésimage</u> 1981/2001. Il est depuis 2014, l'instigateur du festival Montmeyan en PoéVie. Son dernier livre de PoéVie *Ce petit trou d'air au fond de la poche* Chez Prem'Edit http://richardrf.wix.com/richard-taillefer



Cashmore, Hazel (Scotland, U.K.)

Hazel Cashmore is an artist exhibiting since 1983. She paints the Far North as an emotional response to all around her. Huge skies panoramic vistas dark hills big seas and the ever changing Northern light. Her work is mainly in acrylic, oil and mixed media. A mixed media work was accepted into Society of Scottish Artists at the 117th Annual Exhibition at the National Gallery of Scotland Edinburgh.

https://www.saatchiart.com/account/profile/11383



Mohan, Ram (India)

Ram Mohan is a contemporary artist and writer exploring abstract and representational forms. He finds is expression closely linked to his individual experience and he don't follow the old grooves which results in lifeless forms. https://www.facebook.com/ram.mohan.984?ref=br rs



Daveaux Berthelot, Annie (France)

Annie Deveaux Berthelot est née au Mans en 1947. Biologiste à la retraite elle se consacre à la peinture (sa première passion) et à la poésie depuis la découverte de l'oeuvre du poète Robert Notenboom. Elle a illustré ses fables et contrefables dans son recueil *Flashes*. Celui-ci a accueilli une vingtaine de ses poésies dans son dernier ouvrage poétique *Le Temps d'un Sein nu*.

https://www.facebook.com/annie.deveauxberthelot



Notenboom, Robert (France)

Poète, essayiste, Robert Notenboom est né à Paris. Il écrivit de nombreuses poésies sans jamais songer à les publier. Ce n'est qu'en 2007 après une grave maladie qu'il s'y résolut et publia des ouvrages de poésie dont la plupart furent édités aux Éditions du Puits de Roulle. Tous dans un style dont la simplicité est celle à laquelle on arrive malgré soi, comme l'écrit Constantin Brâncusi, en s'approchant du sens réel des choses. Robert Notenboom fait aussi des calligraphies. Quelques-unes figurent dans ses livres.

https://www.facebook.com/robert.notenboom.18



Miranda, Alejandra (Argentina)

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 $\underline{https://www.facebook.com/alejandramiranda.artelatinoamericano?fref=ts}$

https://www.facebook.com/direcciondeculturalapaz/?fref=ts



Ajala, Adesina (Nigeria)

Adesina Ajala is a Nigerian medical doctor with interest in creative writing. He desires to be the pride of the scalpel and the hope of the pen.

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Garza Lozano, Raymundo (Mexico)

Raymundo Garza Lozano is a Mexican plastic artist, he likes to use different materials in his artworks: pearly and luminiscent pigments in space scenaries. He paints the trascendent human mission. http://www.raymundogarza.blogspot.com



Ogonowski, Christopher (Poland)

Christopher Ogonowski (born in Poland '81) is a painter, poet and architect. He is the author of books: *Temptation, Freerunning, Thirteen* (for luck). He received the first prize at the Biennale in Vladivostok (Russia) in 2013. His works are inspired by the M- theory.

https://www.facebook.com/krzysztof.ogonowski.5



Antoniewicz. Mirek (Poland)

Mirek Antoniewicz is a painter, lives and works in Poland. He had over 50 individual exhibitions in Poland, Italy, Germany, Sweden, Denmark, and has taken part in many group shows and competitions. Member of the Association of Polish Visual Artists. Represented by Galeria M Odwach in Wroclaw.

https://www.facebook.com/mirekantoniewiczart/



Olajuwon, Timileyin Gabriel (Nigeria)

Timileyin Gabriel Olajuwon hails from Osun State, Nigeria. His poems have appeared in poetry journals, magazines and anthologies. He is the brain behind *Muse for World Peace Anthology* and the author of *Call for Retreat* 2013, *The Muse* 2017 and *Apeke and other poems* 2017– collections of poems.

http://worldpoetry.ca/?tag=timileyin-gabriel-olajuwon



Lavit, Claudine (Maroc/France)

Peintre et poète, Claudine Lavit a d'abord peint des toiles figuratives puis dès 2008 des toiles semi-figuratives et expressionnistes. Depuis 1996 elle expose ses oeuvres dans diverses galeries d'art tant au Maroc qu'en France. À titre de poète ses poèmes figurent dans diverses revues. En 2002 et 2006 sont édités respectivement ses deux recueils de poésie dont *Peinture et Poésie*, et *Réconciliation* ?, Éditions En Marge, Canada. http://www.claudinelavit.com/



Arduinna, Alix (France)

Alix Arduinna est peintre, poète, sculpteur, romancière. Elle a reçu à ce jour plus de 200 distinctions dans les domaines de la peinture, de la poésie, de la vidéo et de la sculpture. Pour l'essentiel, l'oeuvre d'Alix présente une univers féminin entre rêves et mythes. Elle communique sa vision du monde qu'elle traduit par le biais de ses oeuvres.

http://www.alix-arts.com



Paul, Sunita (India)

Sunita Paul, author, editor and publishing executive hails from India. She is author of five books and editor of several anthologies of national and international fame. An awardee of many high recognition, Sunita dedicates her life to promotion of love and peace through literature.

https://www.facebook.com/sunita.paul.9619934



Ragone, Raffaele (Italy)

Born in Castellammare di Stabia (Italy), Raffaele Ragone graduated in Chemistry and worked as a researcher in Biophysical chemistry, authoring several scientific articles. His literary debut took place in 2012 with La ruggine degli aghi (Manni), including poems from 1990 to 2009. From 2010 on, all of his poems are published as a part of his blog, RaffRag's Una Tantum. His current interests span poetry, graphic arts, science divulgation and critical comment on the relationship between science and humanities.

http://raffrag.wordpress.com

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=1610911783



Sabatino, Stefania (Italy)

Stefania Sabatino is an artist as well as a Graphic Arts and Art History teacher. She works both as a painter and an illustrator, making illustrations and covers for several publications. She is also a performance artist and a set designer. Stefania's works of art have been exhibited worldwide, being even part of the collection of the Campania Pavilion related to the 54th Venice Biennale.

http://www.stefaniasabatino.it



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Bar-Lev, Helen (Israël)

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http://www.annieb222photography.com



Mallet, Jean-Pierre (France)

Poète Auteur Compositeur Interprète Jean-Pierre Mallet est né à Montmartre. Il est lauréat de la Société des Poètes Français, de Arts Sciences Lettres, de l'Académie Renée Vivien, de l'Académie de la Poésie Française de l'Académie Internationale de Lutèce etc... et Consul de la République de Montmartre.

https://www.facebook.com/boheme.etchansons?ref=br rs



Mahajan, Niladri (India)

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https://www.facebook.com/adiffusedroom/https://www.facebook.com/niladri.mahajan



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Artist and poet, co-founder, with Aeronwy Thomas, of the art-literary Movement Immagine & Poesia (2007). Award winning poet, multilingually translated.

http://lidiachiarelli.jimdo.com/

https://lidia-chiarelli-arte-poesia.webnode.it/

https://movimentoarte2012.wixsite.com/lidiachiarelli



Actis, Gianpiero (Italy)

Gianpiero Actis (Torino, Italy). Eye surgeon and multi-awarded artist, with permanent exhibitions in the UK (Swansea, Wales) and in France (Beausoleil). In 2007 co-founder of the art-literary Movement Immagine & Poesia with Aeronwy Thomas. Jury member for the Arts at Turin Live Festival.

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