

EVOCATION AND OTHER POEMS

By Tanmoy Bhattacharjee

My dear poetry, hope you no longer

Cheat he grammar of my sense

I am the castrated lover

Pine for your opposite sex

Tainted, deserted follower

Of my impersonal being

I am righted to be destined

Give me your potent

Let the sky unveil

A poet with sex.

STREETLIGHTS

Broad is my horizon

Bejewelled

Expanded

as you guide

my steps

As a polestar

Me, the diarist, Carries

Within the pen

The beams you spit

My weapon fires

as

it oozes your lustre

out, gets inked ...

the literature I create

TRANSITION

A woman remains

the same ... always

let alone protests

the way she protects

she moves ahead

uncaring the careful peeps

the theory of percolation

coagulates, marginality,

and the watered tongues.

A baby plays with Barbie

Without even knowing

How ' r ' changes a doll into flesh.

Bio

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