

In Search of You

By Santanu Halder

I ransack the yellow pages of Thucydides
Or the brown rusty pages of Herodotus
But nowhere do I find you,
I search you in the kingdom of
Asoka, in the kingdom of Gulliver
But nowhere I find you ,
In the writings of Plato ,Plutarch and Pliny
Dante, Darwin and Homer
I never find you
In da Vinci's Mona Lisa
Or in the paintings of Picasso,
Or in the blank verse of Milton
I never discover you
Going far away from the madding crowd
In the fairy land of Cinderella
Or in Alice's wonderland
My eyes look for you
But nowhere do I find you,
From Akbar to Alexander
From Caedmon to Camus
From Columbus to Copernicus
From Moses to Maupassant
From Nero to Neruda
From Tagore to Tulsidas
From Blake to Buddha
Everywhere I seek you
Forgetting that you are within me
My inspiration.

We Shall Die and Arise Again

We shall die and arise again
Breaking the silence of darkness
In the ancient land of Agamemnon
Our love enlightens our face
We shall stand erect and strong
Amid the pyramids of Khufu
Our love is imperishable,
Like the walls of Troy
Though one day we will die
We will die and again arise
And it will be our false demise
Because we are like the Phoenix
From the ashes we will rise,
such is our love.

About me

A teacher by profession and a poet at will- Santanu Halder was born and brought up in a small town named Bongaon, near Kolkata, West Bengal. He has done M.A in English Literature and teaching university students for 6 years. A scholar, a translator, an interviewer, and a bilingual poet writing in both Bengali and English, Santanu Halder has already authored three books, these are - (1) "American Literature" for WBSU Students, (2) Old English Literature in a Nutshell and (3) a book on translation. Mr. Halder, a life member of Guild of Indian English Writers Editors and Critics, has been writing since his school and college days. Few of his early poems have been published in college magazines and little magazines. His poems have been published in UK POETRY LIBRARY, in poemhunter.com, in boloji.com, in Brain Wrixon's books from Canada, and many other national and internal magazines and journals. He is one of the editors of The Fountain of the Muse, founder of English Poetry All Over the World Group and one of the founder members and Joint Secretary of SPELL (Society for Poetry, Education, Literature and Language) in Kolkata. His first book of poems *Bonsaid Rhapsodies* will be published soon.