

DISTRACTIONS

SNOWPHOBIA

The signs are all over the place
From the winds to the unstable weather
That in a matter of days
The earth will glow with snow

My tryst with snow
Is a story of angst
As I remember once again
What lies ahead of me

Even the manner of dressing has changed
People now dress and appear as silhouette
With all their bodies insulated
In deference to the impending snow

The battleline drawn last year
Between snow and I will reopen
The ground is agog and anticipatory
Of my inevitable falls come snow

Oh Africa how I miss you now
You have always given me warmth
To you snow is only in fables
Please mother Africa send me the heat

Enyinda N. Okey

I Walked in the Wet

The sky was dark

But I could see clouds
dancing provocatively among the shadows
touching gently,
sliding against the moon
behind their night screen of darkness

For one moment I thought of the misery
to come to their lovemaking
The following morning
When everything would be rainy
And over-zealous, fluffy grey clouds would scramble

Across the white-light backdrop
To try to sop up
Some of the excess water
Before it spilled anymore
To drown the earth
To celestial sweat

Sherry A. Morin

Revel Nations

Strobing light
Now dark
Now light,
A roar afar
Blood moon
Sun as tar,
Thunder
Screams
Lightning tears the
dreams
of banished peace
To bits.
Demons feast,
Insanity
Closes in,
Whirlpool events prove
Your love
Powerless
Shut your eyes
And scream,
Drowned out
By thunder's might,
Blinked out
By
Unstable light,
Just another,
In another,
Nazi burial pit
That flickers
But yet.

Richard Floyd