

Photosynthesis

Photosynthesis reveals
a meditation
dreamscape of fossils,
a cosmic crawl
toward life force
past and present.

Photosynthesis reflects
a solar glow of
watery inhalation
breathing dark matter
a disjointed pigment
of a blue green ghost.

Photosynthesis offers
a folly
of burst molecules
electric in a swampy skin
an ephemeral ocean
of death and decay.

Photosynthesis proclaims
a dazzled synthesis
of sugary
transfer
an emerald glow
beyond
measured time,
the end and beginning
twisted
in an eternal web.

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