

Independent Voices, New Perspectives

Christopher Siders: "What a Wonderful World"

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Raw anomalous twitches tempted to open my skull and break down my mind into tiny increments to witness my thoughts float in a distance and perform a tarantist dance with spirits asking them to kill me a few times just to feel alive with Alice she jumped through a hole in my heart following a rabbit to work wonders in this boarded mansion filled With red hourglasses That dangle off the corners of growing cobwebs, while Charlotte sings of Marvin's sad tomorrows on vinyl My inner child screams holding a blue rose feeling the mercy from thorns that left a trail of ignited petals through majestic meadows looking to settle my conscious on senile sailing across my journey of guilt trips arise hallucinations understand anguish is my education to piece enigmas jaded rebuild the genesis fly down memory lane as a phoenix to paint a bigger picture in the translucent ceiling where I once heard that if I look closely, I can see god staring at me while I Watch crystals fall through a crack in his pupils

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my beautiful heroine bloodshot comes to the rescue save me from my future troubles I don't want to write anymore poems please save me from my future troubles I don't want to write anymore poems That make my bones ache, irritate the madness vase when trauma states a question, hidden inside each capsule medicine asking where happiness is while taking 200mg of contentment unconsciously ruin relationships seeking Atlantis with 400 mg of magic to silent the wrath of loud negligence and show my friends that love still exists I hate these feelings I had since an angel blew dust in my lungs giving me adrenaline for the mile run to heaven so god can finally meet his long lost son caught with 600 mg of clenched fists chained to visions of a white picket fence If reality hits bliss, I rather stay ignorant I remember Linda gave me a "worry no more" kit around the time a guy forced sex without consent the instructions read to vent to tiny mannequins that'll dismantle negatives and become antiseptic Inhale life for 4 seconds then exhale cigarettes for 8 attempt to let go of the dismay my mirror creates unable to see the so-called saint, some folks say I am While I collapse in the depths of my cursed skin I continue to relapse on childhood mischiefs paint the concrete red with blood dripping from they eyelids and resort to masculine violence Giving into vices during a crisis Imagine Heavy use while in private not willing to realize the temporary refuge in confusion Endure emotional abuse thinking I'm stupid for not confirming like my restless youth did

love is the mission

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with sleep paralysis, Imprisoned condemn myself to peel dead words off of open wounds to resurrect lessons and let time reduce my sentence I wonder when my mind will acquit me of all these regrets from disrespecting my parents to not forgiving my cousins my grandfather attempting to receive an abundance between the thick lines of paper

and allows me to educate my enemy To proceed to abort maturely out of the crypt I was building

six feet beneath the floor,

lies my savior that holds ink

so I won't crash on yours

while mourning the death of Shalonda Banks

and my father dealing with prostate

moms begging me to stay strong for us

when I don't even know,

who I am or who I was yesterday

snap back to the party

with the blunt coming my way

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