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**La nuit,
quand tout dort**

La nuit, quand tout dort,
Je sens la terre trembloter
Parfois, oui, je pleure

Qui suis-je?

Loin de toi, j'ai peur
Du noir, du froid, de la vie
Puis... de mon ombre

Marécage

Je suis en sueurs
J'ai les aisselles moites
Je fonds en larmes
J'ai grand besoin d'uriner
Bref, mon corps est
marécage

« Plaise à Dieu »

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Prononcé avec ferveur,
Invite la Mort
Dit avec détachement,
L'accueille sans l'attendre

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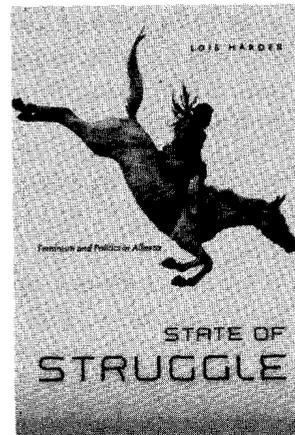
Not my child

The child who looks like you
also acts like you,
comes to my door,
knocking, knocking,
speaking with a lisp,
playing the piano
in his old brown shirt,
snooping through suitcases
hoping for pleasant surprises,
looks at me with innocent eyes
as if he's accusing me
of littleness of soul
when I glare at his invasion of space and time.
This child,
so much like you,
he could be mine,
conceived ten years ago
in a blue honeymoon van,
his eyes the colour of amber
like some disheveled tiger-boy
pleading for more than I can give.
with your big eyes of solemn gold.

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