

## **Dawn (2025)**

As first light begins to break,  
I am in bed with my lover, and  
I tenderly watch her awaken  
Shy tendrils of her fiery curls have  
sprung loose, framing her radiant face  
Her cherubic cheeks are rosy,  
as if in anticipation for the day  
Her eyelids flutter, then she slowly  
opens her bright eyes  
When she realizes that I too am awake,  
her petal pink lips part into a smile

At this early hour,  
before the birds  
sing their reveilles,  
all the world is quiet  
and still —  
only she and I exist  
She is mine and I am hers  
We lie side-by-side, gazing  
into each others' eyes...  
She whispers her secrets  
And I whisper back

## **The Metamorphosis of a Being (2022)**

small,

unknown Being from the maelstrom beyond —

real once named into Existence —

time-tessering, ever-morphing,

exalted by the Universe,

echoing an extraordinary origin

Eclosion

brave and new amongst the stars —

accelerating, frenetic, depleted, plummeting

into Celestial somnolence, cemented

into j-curved stupor —

the next Form

merely an External Interface —

motionless, opaquely cloaked,

flecked with gold —

the protective shell obscuring a process of

Chaos within

the enclosed Being collapses, melting  
into a primordial soup, then  
biochemical blueprints —  
marred by an errant mutation —  
create a new Form,  
and all grand illusions of perfection  
vanish

when at last the Golden Sheath  
splits  
into Kaleidoscopic vibrancy,  
the quorum celebrates the prodigal Being  
with joyous song, soon  
overpowered by the heart, ominously  
thumping a morse code prophesy:

F-L-E-E-T-I-N-G

emerging damp and folded,  
but once dry —  
ruffling, flickering, fluttering,  
timidly cracking, parting,  
embracing the light of the Universe  
courageously vulnerable, open  
yet

— Asymmetrical

defective, earth-tethered,

imperfect, flawed —

yet serene, whole,

Euphoric,

Free

silence —

nothingness—

void —

finally one Venerable Being

speaks:

O beautiful, flightless Being of new Form,  
wherein Essence ineffable persists,  
into Existence, name erroneously bestowed,  
but hereby known by your chosen name  
henceforth —

BUTTERFLY