



# INTERIOR ROSE

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I turn myself into a bar room.  
Drunks roll from my armpits.

Awake all night—  
in the gray light smudges become masterpieces.

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I see you see clearly as we share solitude.

The body will decay.  
Don't delay.

Our words make light everywhere we look

The body will decay.  
Don't delay.

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I like you liking me.  
I like it. I like it.  
I like it.

I could be in Mexico.  
A voice says, "Go,"  
but I can't resist

being here with you.

I like it. I like it.

I like it.