

Harmonics

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the music..

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ENTRANCES

your song
your conversation
entrances

notes go out
melody comes back
each sways and dances

sweetly rebound off
distant hills and other
orchestral branches

my imitating
is pure ignorance
shallow romances

just what is
this vocab?
these lyrics,
can i ?
really?
what are my chances?

DINOSAURS

out with the dinosaurs
feeling that,

this place is all about
the young
 and the beautiful

and with no moment
 spent
 not i

just a moment of loss
 of longing

no dressing up
 of this dinosaur

/

it's your time
to be...

love it
cherish
and revel

/

there will be time later
to be
out with the dinosaurs

REACH

tragedy again
in the news
hearts
 breaking
 across the world

from
out of the rubble
your hand reaches up

through our tears
we feel your

 /
 look to
 reach
 down
and lift you out

 /
 long for
 the ability
 to turn
 back time

APRICOT

this apricot
sits unattended
rots
finds its new journey
/ purpose

winter sets in
my mind my
focus need not narrow
with it,
there's
always
the
promise,
the breath
of spring

fresh
crop
of

apricots,
new
and

/

this sits...

HORROR

global population
consumes
in ignorance
in horror, with
indifference, just
inhuman

the ground shakes
the cyclone rips
tornado strikes
the river banks break
bush fire consumes, and

global population
consumes
the images
the horror,
then digs deep

how might the
global population
also consume (combat
the less salient
day to day
horrors?

HOPE

a million once-hungry children
are fed at school
are raised up out
of Maslow's physiological
(marysmeals.org.uk)

countless now reach
for a device filled
with reading matter,
dream now of what
could be
(worldreader.org)

with the growing availability
of knowledge and information,
electronic tablets
may well bring Maslow's
self-actualisation
into view
(one.laptop.org/stories/xo-tablet)

/

into
reality

SMILE

cup hops up
 bounds across the bench,
pants by the coffee pot
 eager morning thirst to quench;

eggs flip out
 impress on tomato and mushroom,
fried, toasted, plated
 calling from the living room;

rising sun peaks in
 over the window sill,
warmth rolls in
 glistens, reflects off distant hill;

let this day
 feed your mood in style,
let this new dawning day
 be your reason to rise and smile.

FUTURES

fog rolls over
the tree topped
rolls down the
and settles
in this eerie
cause for
deliberation

such immensity
frames and loves
the 5 elements
may forgive us a
few moments longer
treat us to(o)

hopes and
futures

INSECURITIES

insecurities
 and alienation
elevator face
 deliberation
judge to trust
 risk to share
protected consideration
 secure in
 to dare

quietly sense the vibe
 the intent
maybe face off then
 in the moment
with speech rhythm
 in the zone
pick the groove
 to call your own

ELECT

do i acknowledge you
as
 or can i
 elect to

hide from view

where
's the respect
what
should i expect

when all you
 do is infect
 this
 energised perspect

what you do,
 don't you
realise leaves such scars
 has profound effect
on what we
do, on
what we direct

is it right for me to
 elect to
 hide from
 and not to

 acknowledge
 you

DESPERATION

the inspiration in this room
reflects off the walls, the desks,
radiates from the laptop screens,
bounces off ceiling white
but
then
gets soaked up by the
oppressive carpet grey

i lay down on the floor
momentarily,
in a vain attempt...;

but not even the skip in
this long-loved melody
can outshine the
day's oppressive drain

/

maybe tomorrow!?

BALANCING

balancing
forces us
to adjust our
saviours our
heroes among us
are here
within us

impatience tunes
the momentum
optimises our demands on
crystallizes the
essences of quality;
despite
the
waste
product
severely
limits our
room for error

our
ability to care
our
ability to
love

balancing might need from us

a quiet
moment;
a little
soft reflection;

even one or more
of our own
inspirational messages...

MANIFESTATION

resonating off the fog on the valley floor
sun glistening, rising
 to meet us both
 to greet us both
 newly born

i give myself over to you
 just you
 and i

wandering our sea of memories
 the inspirational
 the grand
 the profound, seeking
 the essence
 of
 the very manifestation
 of
 love

dancing out of the depth of
the wealth
of
the history
of

you
taunt me
haunt me, yet
flaunt yourself before me
enveloping
me

a synergy of
individuality
and spirituality

seemingly
our very own
manifestation
of

love

VOLUMES

immense volumes
flowing by
moored boats
bobbing
 about
those stepping up
having a go
some now
going
the way of the

immense volumes
sculpting
 framing
 our
 understanding
 our
 perceptions

yet for all those
hours all that
perseverance,

do i
am i
content to
only be
 just feeling
washed over?

STIMULUS

the stimulus for this
value, quality evidently
came with (for me)
no thought at all

/

just came
to be

snuck its
own way
in

/

all i now know is

is now

i do believe
i love you

SANITY

not understanding
 standing here
 the world
 with all its wonder
 wondering why

not deliberating
 investigating this
 micro-managing
 that's the momentary reprieve
 reliving / relieving the
moment

not dissecting it or
 carving it up
 the fine detail
 can wait for the next train
 the next frame

not understanding nor
defining every
leaf, every branch
immediately, individually, decisively
is maybe...
could be...

SOLITUDE

you may bring me fear
as i dredge up
up take on
long shelved
regret

/

angst only tears
tears can wash clean

you can bring me quiet
as i allow my soul
sole seek acceptance
in the knowledge
that

/

just at
peace with...

you may bring me inspiration
as i watch events interweave
patterns weave and intertwine
as if they were always
there

/

there as a part of me,
calling...

PROGRESS

on the
next stage
it stands
it stands to f

a
l
l
away

to
wood
work on
plane-ing
sanding
crafting from

r f
d i t wood

drift
would
see no
no held to ransom
by h/w, o/s,
appln updates

this
progress...
must go
go
its own way

NOW

the luxury of writing paper
now long taken for granted
granted it now suffers
new technologies it
it now even seems
a pen for some is
a thing of another era
another now

/

now taking
now

a moment to
reflect and to
be grateful

to be,

grateful

now

EXPERTISE

distracted by
demand
demand time out
for review and
deliberation

you are
 the friends
 the skills
 the expertise
 the gift for
which i
should be
most grateful

why do i
so often
lose sight
of this?

POETRY

sitting in the park
birds settle and sing
breeze plays harmony

this cluttered space
features domestic art
provides momentary inspiration

your voice so familiar
drifts in and out
in and dances about

this mountain (/ volcano) view
raises me aloft
peering down through consciousness

driving into this
and onto the next
freeway deliberation through melody

my reflection so familiar
moseys in and out
in and calls you out

WAKE-UP

this year's
record flood,
the lake before
our deck,
would have
to be our
wake up,

the serene dawn
chorus finds
me deliberating
my / our
call to action
on an inconvenient
truth*

(* Deliberation after viewing Al Gore's
video: 'An Inconvenient Truth'.)

DETAIL

you draw in
the subtle sequences
so naturally

the detail of
life that
might otherwise
can be
so often

/

missing the
depth, the
wealth in the
detail

/

so many moments
so many
pass us by
us busy doing

/

missing
the detail,
the...

while
we are
doing

/

something

else

GRATITUDE

Thank you!

it has been an
honour to
be there to
be able to
offer my
service, my
thoughts, my
participation

/

life has afforded
me the chance to
be there with
you (for you)

/

all i can offer now is
is my
gratitude for
this
this life,
the many,
so many opportunities

Thank you!

LOOKING

looking for a moment in
the surf

getting ahead of
that wave

/

riding it in

looking for that
offering

for

drawing in

the wave-riders

the beach-goers

the...

looking for a way

off these rocks

these

rocks

EFFECTS

just pockets
of the past now
tiptoe through
the melody

eerie pages
surf by
cymbals (symbols)

effects

electrons
step up

dance
stream

this
and then

visions
by (of

memory

BOTH

beach side
storm, rain
dancing off
the roof

warm and dry
inside are both
contentment
and wonder

YEARNING

back into the
year yearning
time for
creativity to
venture out
now 4:30am this
sleeping vision
drawn from
resonating in
awakening as
have i
something here
that's more

more than
just

/

and yet
your keys
your melody
your words

call out to(o)
to me
urge me
to accept a
a
moment for

FULFIL

as one aspect
fulfils, another...

then the other, it
fulfils, while

too much of a...

and a number of
others, they
step up
state their case

what about...

when do i...

i want to,
but division of time
 of focus
 impact on

as one aspect
fulfils, another...

NOT

now with the urge
to reconnect i
take this
wonder how we
where the time
left this hole
whole lot of not
 not
 not really
 not really about you
more maybe something
about me
about now
 or not
about

THAT

media and music
unravelling a melody of appeal
the words offer
cascades of
 memory
dancing in and
about time spent
 time taken
 time given
 time offered

i believe there is
that
 that
that i can find
sifting through the
volumes that
 that promote reflection
of this and
 that
 what i

gleam is inspiration
anticipation
deliberation
creation
in motion

media and music
unravelling in me
with me
within me

THIS

this
the most of
it, the wealth of
the opportunity to
the freedom to

the most of
to be

so much

so many
possibilities to be
thankful for
to live for

to love
to cherish
to protect

WRITE

music to write poems to
music to read poetry to
poetry to write
 music from
poetry that listens
 to music to
 write poems
 to
poetry that writes
 music that reads
 poetry to

music that...
 mean -
 while poems
 write themselves

LOSS

was it my indecision filtering through
or did the decision to
withdraw your faith
your trust

happen without,

and yet
my sense of loss
these inklings of grief
confound me
how can i feel loss
when what i got was what
i was asking for?

maybe this is something else...

CALLS

call to reach down deep
find that energy of youth
convictions to
feelings of
expressions of
demand and outrage

calls to
action
centred inner strength
reaching out
telling it as it is
demanding
justice
and
integrity

-0-

so often that step forward
the increments sneak
by the time the next
generation steps up

the
placard
moves

on
on demand
on demands

-O-

watching a few
call the focus
the outlook
the personality
the demands
of the larger group

peering back, wondering
whether
generations are
similarly
influenced
shaped?

-O-

on the shoulders of
those before
the waters struggle still
still
water has had measurable
success past into the
present
present now an overlay
a new canopy
new growth

hope of

further

greater

change

-0-

now
calls to
reach down deep

allow a new
generation
generate
re-invigorate

call to action
call for a renewed
inner strength to...

COUNT

strumming a love of
lifelong passion
such wealth
 is so much more

than what we count
on account of
these blessings
these gifts

such blessings
such gifts

/

can we
 always...

...!?

as often as you...
 you also...
 every moment lived
 is a moment where...

so do I choose to...
or do i... ?
or maybe... ?

ASTONISHING

our inflated sense of...
our incessant whining over...
our persistent distraction from...
our complete lack of...

seeking,
a moment to marvel...
a moment to appreciate...
a moment to watch, to listen...
a moment to be grateful

to accept,
our place in the larger scheme,
our place in the countless millennia
our place in this vast universe
our place in...
what is simply astonishing.

taking this moment...

/

stop reading

close your eyes

and take in this moment to(o)...

PENNY

grouping these words so
as to deliver a forever
a moment

wrapped around a deliberation dance
skipping along this nouveau
pre-fabricated fence
taking this chance to consider,
before you
a penny spent
now,
waiting for
your...

WAVERING

trust wavering
questioning
foundation beliefs
and values

is this real?
is this appropriate?
is this accurate?
is this necessary?

has your reporting
formed for me
in us
a quasi-prejudice?
a biased, ill-formed
mob-driven-style
group-think?

COST

what has been the cost
of life, limb, potential, ...
human, wildlife, wilderness...

so that i might live
this charmed life
so that i might actualise
fulfil my creativity
so that i might in such comfort,
experience such love,

where / how do i start to
accept my good fortune,

when it has come at such a cost?

PLATES

i pay you your due attention
your demand for
this
this transitory outcome

another plate, i spin, another
balanced in motion,
demanding,
so wearisome

too many plates, too little focus
you start to slow (falter
i start to
accept my
my self-inflicted
delirium

DEPEND

software program may depend on an
rdbms, may depend on a
browser, in turn may depend on the
internet, may depend on an
operating system, in turn may depend on
hardware, may depend on a
network;

depending on...

-0-

this robot runs on A.I.
its program
may replace
so many skills

/

(then)

no longer taught
no longer learned

/

-0-

then
some solar storm
takes out the power and
fries our electronics...

/

where did we put
that book again?

backups? did someone mention

-0-

haven't i already played
my part in this agenda?
business software / erp / supply chain /
crm
saving time
saving money
and with this
shouldn't life now
be easier?

more leisure time?
more fulfilment?
more secure?
more relaxed?
more of something positive...
shouldn't it?

-0-

can we, will we
take on the social / ethical
initiative / imperative
to make the change
sustainable?

respectful of people's needs?
respectful of people's lives?
respectful of nature's balance?
respectful of all life on earth?

LOUNGE

comfortable lounge chair
sliced white bread
well-stocked shop on the corner
online entertainment
and an electric toothbrush

on and on
on demand
supply and
demand more and
demand more
more comfortable
i get
more comfortable
more complacent
more expectant
more demanding
more soft

like a comfortable lounge chair

LINE

paint it in clear vocabulary
rap rhythm, deep rhyme
images awakened, set free
rolling out, new paradigm

line by line

delivery of due deliberation
axioms, postulates, philosophy
truth, value, significance
drawing out our empathy

line by line

references / images needing to be confronted
of indecency, indignity and cruelty
dreams and endeavours shattering
events confronting our humanity

line by line

sculpting methodically
scaffolded and rendered
charged emotively
all framed to be delivered -

line by line

SHINE

ongoing overload screws with
my creativity thin on
the grounding is in here
somewhere there's a
rhyme, a parable, a message...

a thought looking for a little
inspiration steps up for just
the time it takes to
listen to your thoughts your
melody dances around my head

i will take these few
lines up as a resultant
force this line, maybe that
inertia will be overcome
and the sun will shine through

shine through...

LIBRARY

as much as this library
offers up its gems
 of love
 of joy
 of connection

expanding with every
 passing year,

it too throws back its share
 of loss
 of lost love
 of misfortune
 of pain
 of poor judgement
 of immaturity;

it's finding some sort
of balance in all the
 volumes...

BETRAYAL

the urge to write,
songs, an album complete
poems, a book complete-ly filled

so many thoughts, i, so
much anger, i, so
much disgust, i, so
feel
so
much betrayal, i,
feel

the words have been clearly spoken
the images have been clearly presented
the issues have been clearly illuminated

it is not a time for me to delude myself into
thinking my opinion can value-add

it is time for me to join with so many
to put the world's needs above my own

TRULY

to give you the strength
consider options

for us
to have the capacity
to truly support
to truly understand
to truly help
you

to bring about effective action
in the face of
unrelenting political inertia

SURE?

you declare
as if it is!

i ask just
how sure
are we?

must it
be?

CALLED

life demanded of me
called on me
distracted me,
 somewhat
deceived me,

till you called me back
put this pen in my
hand on paper watching these
words dance out of me

HARMONIFY

sometimes with 'phones on
turned up just a little too loud

you begin to live in me
call out to me
speak to me
melodify me
breathe with me
heart-beat with me

my body calms
/
aloft in my head

i connect with you
connect with you
i
harmonify
with you