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(CONTINUED).....

EXPRESSED CONCERNS A MOOD, CONTRAST OR
COMPARISON CONVEYED IN A METAPHORICAL OR SIMILE
STYLE.

IN HAIKU TRADITION, THE SWIFTLY BRUSHED SKETCHES
OUTLINED IN THIS BOOK RELATE TO THE AUTHOR'S
THREE WORLDS. SOME PEOPLE ARE MEANT TO WANDER
FOR WE HAVE GYPSY SOULS AND CONTINUE TO SEEK THE
HOLY GRAIL ALWAYS JUST BEYOND OUR REACH. IN
REALITY IT IS OURSELVES WE ARE SEARCHING FOR—AND
IN DOING SO, FIND THE DIMENSIONS AND UNDERSTANDING
OF THE HUMAN HEART.

"WIND WAVES" IS AN ATTEMPT TO REPRODUCE THE
NOSTALGIA OF MY WANDERINGS IN THE MINUTE
FORMAT OF THE HAIKU. I HOPE THESE REFLECTIONS
PROVE REFRESHING TO READERS WHO HAVE GROWN WEARY
OF THE MORE CONTEMPORARY STYLE OF POETRY.

—L.C.

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..... FLAMING POINCIANA
HAS BURNED BRIGHT SCARLET PATCHES
ON THE GREEN CLOAKED HILLS.

..... BARTERING TRADEWINDS
SWAGGER THRU FLOWER BAZAARS —
LET ME BUY YOUR WARES!

..... TROPIC TAPESTRY!
YOUR ALOHA IS FADELESS
WOVEN IN MY HEART

..... WAIMEA'S ASLEEP —
TRAILING RAINBOW DRAPERIES
OVER DEEP CANYON WALLS.

..... LISTEN TO THE DRUMS!
BEATING NEAR THE SURF'S DEEP ROAR
KU GODS SUMMONING.

..... GALANTLY THE MOON
CONCEDES HEAVENS TO THE DAWN
FOR A BUSHING KISS.

..... LOOK! PRISM RAINDROPS
SMILING A DOUBLE RAINBOW
LAUGHING AT THE SUN.

..... PLAYMATE SEEKING TRADES
YOU'VE BLOWN THE FALLS UPSIDE DOWN,
MIST FLOODS THE VALLEY.

..... SEA I KNOW YOUR MOODS
TWIN GEMINI ARE WE — TIDES
MOVING WILD AND FREE.

..... CROUCHING GIANT COMBERS
OLD AND TOOTHLESS MEN, CRASH TO
ENDINGS IN WHITE FOAM

..... REFLAME WITH PASSION,
SCATTERING PETALS OF LOVE
CRIMSON FLAME TREE STRUTS

..... RED CHARIOT WAITS
SUN SURVEYS HIS PAINTING, GOES —
WHITHER DOES HE RIDE?

..... SONG OF THE CONCH SHELL
I LISTEN TO YOUR CALLING,
ROVER OF THE SEA.

..... RED CLOUDS, CRIMSON SKY,
FLAMING SCARLET SHADOWS FALL.
SUN'S RED ECSTASY.

..... A TALE-BEARING WIND
FRESH FROM FAR EXOTIC LANDS,
GOSSIPS WITH THE CLOUDS

..... LAPPED WITH CRESTED SEAS,
CRATER-CONSCIOUS DIAMOND-HEAD
GUARDS ETERNITY.

..... COME TRANSIENT GYPSIES,
TIME FOR DEW PEARLS TO SCATTER
LIKE A MILLION STARS.

..... CELESTIAL CUPS:
NIGHT-BLOOMING CERUS TOASTS MOON
WITH PALE CHALICES

..... SEAWEED DANCE AND TWIST
SWAYING HIPS AND BENDING KNEES
ROUND DEEP CORAL PILES

..... BRUISED BY YOUR CARESS
WHITE GARDENIA LEI WILTS —
LOVE, YOUR FRAGRANCE LASTS.

..... TENOR CRICKET JOINS

DULLFROGS BARITONE DUET...

OFF-KEY HARMONY!

..... CHASING LADY LOVE

PRANCING, DANCING, FREE FROM CARE...

ROUND-EYED DRAGONFLIES.

..... PALE, WHITE BUTTERFLIES:

TINY SAILS TRIED BY THE WIND,

FLUTTER HERE AND THERE

..... A LONELY CRANE STANDS

COURTING HIS SHADOWY SHAPE

MIRRORED IN THE POND

..... BUTTERFLIES PARADE.....

SCALLOPED SILK AND VEWET GOWNS,

SUCH A RICH ARRAY!

..... VIRTUOUS LOTUS:
UNSTAINED YET CONCEIVED IN MUD
TAO-MASTER PURE.

..... NIGHT QUICKENS HIS PACE
TO MEND THE WOUNDS OF SUNSET
DYING IN THE SKY

..... THE CRICKET HAS QUIT:
HIS SONG OF LIFE ENDED- COLD
SILENCE ON THE HEARTH.

..... TOO LATE YOUR BRIGHT LIGHT,
STUMBLING IN THE DARK I FALL
SEARCHING FOR THE CANDLE.

..... SMITTEN WITH SELF-Love
WILLOW HOVERS OVER POND
BEGGING ITS MIRROR.

..... GLORIOUS HALOS!
CANDLES WORSHIPPING THE DARK
KNEEL WITH THE WIND.

..... GRAY MORNING MIST
BEHOLD! A SUNBEAM STRAGGLER -
YELLOW BUTTERFLY.

..... SNOWFLAKES FLED; TOO FRAIL
AND WHITE OF SKIN FOR BASKING
IN THE WINTER'S SUN.

..... FAIRY MEDICINE
BREWED IN PURPLE CROCUS CUPS,
NECTAR FOR THE GOATS

..... HUSHED IN SILENCE, HEAD
AGAINST THE GROUND, RED ROBIN
STARES MOVING PAWN.

..... NIGHT'S BLACK RILE SEVERED,
FULL MOON GLOWS ITS YELLOW ORB
TILL DAWN'S LAMP IS LIT.

..... AM I ALONE IN
ASKING " WHY DOES CORN PREFER
SUCH BLEACH BLOND TRESSES" ?

..... TURNING THEIR BRONZE HEADS
SUNFLOWERS FOLLOW THE SUN
THEIR LOVE UNDYING .

..... HUSSIES ! RED RUFFLES
FLAUNTED TO THE WIND, Poppies
TEASE THE BASHFUL BREEZE.

..... WISECRACKING BLACKBIRDS
SHOUT ABOVE THE COMING DIN
" 'TIS TIME FOR FEASTING ! "

..... YELLOW MANES BRISTLING,
LION OF FLOWERS YOU DECEIVE —
DANDY PUSSYCAT!

..... SPEAR-GUARDED SECRET —
SPRING'S TULIP TREASURE REVEALED...
ROYAL SATIN CUPS.

..... DRIFTING FROM THE CLOUDS
MEADOWLARK'S SONG IS FALLING,
GOLDEN NOTES FOR ALL.

..... PEARLY DEW DROPS LIE,
A FAIRY'S BROKEN NECKLACE,
TORN IN HER SORROW.

..... GOLDENRODS ABLAZE —
ANGRY TORCHES IN THE GLOOM;
DID YOU LOSE YOUR WAY?

..... SMALL WHITE DOG GROWS BOLD...
CURIOSITY AFOOT
CHALLENGES A ROSE

..... CURIOUS BLACK-NOSE,
DOG CHECKS BEE - THEY DISAGREE...
WHAT CATASTROPHE !

..... GOPHER STUDIES DOG
WAVING HIS WHITE TUFTED TAIL...
IS THAT FLAG "SURRENDER" ?

..... BUTTERFLY RIGHTS
UNINURED ON HIS NOSE...
WHITE POODLE SLEEPS ON .

..... DOG THINKS FUR IS BEAR
SNAPS AT MY NEW COAT - 'TIS CLEAR
HE'S SMARTER THAN ME .

..... HARK ! A PIPER'S REEL -
MAPLES SHIFT BRIGHT KILTED PLAIDS,
FIDDLET-WIND HIS BOW.

..... SILVER ICICLES
HUDDLE 'NEATH CARVED WOODEN EAVES
WARMING COLD FINGERS.

..... AN ORANGE STRIPED CAT -
DAWN SOFTLY PUSSYFOOTS THROUGH
MOUNTAIN SOLITUDE.

..... THE PALE SICKLE MOON
HARVESTS MOONBEAMS UNTIL DAWN
FIELD MOUSE STEALS A FEW.

..... TRADING GREEN MUSLIN
FOR PINK BLOSSOM LOVELINESS,
HONEYSUCKLE SMILES.

..... SILVER BEECH TREES BEND,
TRAILING GREEN TRESSIES TO DRY -
LIKE CHILDREN PRAYING

..... NATURE'S SEWING KIT -
DOES THE SPRUCE USE COBWEB STRANDS
TO THREAD ITS SHARP NEEDLES?

..... AUTUMN MOON PARADES
ARRAYED IN TINSELED GLORY
DAZZLING THE STARS.

..... APPLES RIPEN RED,
FENCE IS HIGH FORBIDDEN FRUIT.
I RESIST YOU NOT.

..... HONEY-SEEKING CUBS
PLUNDER TREES MON DIEU, SUCH RUS!
PAIN HAS ITS REWARD

..... CANDLEFLAMES PLAY GAMES
STANDING ON TIPTOES THEY CAST
A SCENE OF SHADOWS.

..... "SMALL ONE - WHISTLE LOW!"
NORTHERN LIGHTS WANT SOLAR MATES
FOR THEIR PULSING DANCE.

..... SNOW WHITE PTARMIGAN
WHERE DID YOU STORE YOUR SUMMER
DRESS OF SPECKLED BROWN?

..... FUR TUFTS AND RED BLOOD
STRAINS THE SNOW - SCENES WHERE PLAYED A
WOODLAND TRAGEDY

..... PINK FROSTED MOUNTAINS
ICED WITH SILVER TRIM - DAWN THROWS
A BIRTHDAY PARTY

..... ORANGE PUMPKIN COACH
HIDDEN 'NEATH RUSTLING CORN STALKS
YOUR SECRET IS SAFE.

..... TIDES OF PINE WAVES ROLL
LIKE AGATE SEAS, GHOSTLY OWL
GETS SEASICK WATCHING.

..... DOG WAGGING "FRIENDSHIP"
IS DROWNED IN PINK PETALS
FROM TAIL-THUMPED ROSES.

..... DOG OF MINE, BARKING
AT YOUR SHADOW — SUCH COURAGE
FROM BEHIND MY SKIRT!

..... ROCKIES SURRENDER —
FADING WITH DAWN'S PURPLE HAZE
TO DON WHITE SNOW-CAPS.

..... SHOULDERS BRACING CLOUDS
TALL SPRUCE BEND BENEATH THE WEIGHT
OF EARTH-SEEKING SKY

..... SASKATOONS RIPEN
BIRDS ARE ANXIOUS FOR THE FEAST—
BUT THEN, SO AM I.

..... WARMED BY HIS RED VEST
ROBIN SCRATCHES SNOW WITH JAYS
BLUE AND ENVOUS.

..... THISTLES OF THE AIR:
WHITE GULLS SOAR LIKE WAPPED DOWN
BLOWN PERMISSIVELY.

..... OH SMALL DOG SO BRAVE
CREEPS TOWARDS LIONS WITH TAWNY MANES
GROWING ON THE LAWN.

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..... FILIGREE PETALS
HAMMERED FROM SILVER VAPOUR -
SNOWFLAKE SCULPTURES FALL.

..... HUMMING BIRD SPIES WINE
DRINKING DEEP FROM PURPLE HORNS,
DRUNKEN CONNOISSEUR!

..... WINTER'S DEFENSE DOWN
CHINOOK SHOWS HER ARCH - WARMWIND
A FEW HOURS OF SPRING.

..... HUNTER'S MOON BURNS BRIGHT
SHADOWS CALL SOFT WARNINGS - DEER,
MY HEART CRIES WITH YOU.

..... WHITE WATERS THUNDER....
BOILING THE RIVER TO FOAM,
VOYAGEUR, PORTAGE!

..... GOPHER SPIES BLACK TAIL,
RETREATS THRU BACK DOOR TO WATCH
PROMENADING CAT.

..... TWELVE PAWS OF MISCHIEF,
YELPING TUFTS OF WELCOME - PUPS
TUMBLE MOTHER FOX

..... GREEN EUCALYPTUS -
LEAVES DIPPED IN SPICE ; I SAVOUR
WITH MY NOSE AND EYES.

..... BLACK-ETCHED AGAINST SKY
BRANCHES MOVE - REMESH ; IS THE
NIGHT FOREST WALKING ?

..... HUNTER'S HORN CALLING ...
AMOROUS BULL ELK SEEKS HIS
RENDEZVOUS WITH DEATH.

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..... BASKING SKY BLOSSOM

A WORM 'TIL YOUR WINGS WERE WON,
WHAT HAND WOULD CRUSH THEE ?

..... ON CLUMSY SNOWSHOES

ANCHORED TO THE SNOW, I DIVE....

RED CHEEKS MATCH MY NOSE.

..... NORTH WIND WHEELS HIS BROOM,
WHITE CLOUDS SCURRY FAST, TRAILING
MARE'S TAILS IN THE SKY.

..... AUTUMN LEAVES BURNING,
THEIR SOULS FREE AT LAST - BLUE SMOKE
CURLS IN MEMORY

..... RED NOSE EXPOSED
PARKA DRAWN AGAINST THE COLD,
WINTER LAUGHS AT ME.

..... SILVER TINKLING BELLS
LILIES - OF - THE - VALLEY PEARL
EASTER CANNOT WAIT.

..... LISTEN, IF YOU DARE!
BLUE SKIES THUNDER - COWBOYS DRIVE
GHOST HERDS 'ROSS THE SKIES.

..... BEARDS OF WHITE HOAR FROST
ANTIQUES AUTUMN'S GOLDEN CLOTH....
ERMINE COUNTENANCE.

..... MORNING WIND PLAYS CORDS,
POUNING SHINGLE - BROKEN ROOF
MOODY PIANIST!

..... FLOATING TWO BY TWO
RED LEAVES DRIFT IN PILES, WARMING
MAPLE'S FROZEN FEET.