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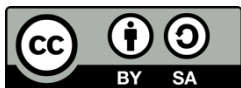
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### Untitled Expression

I ache for you in the attenuation  
of summer, the light tragic,  
amber as Gdansk jewellery,  
hammered into the sky and the water,  
inlaid into the high windows.  
I will love you as a city in this light,  
total and fragile, youth receding,  
bronze air negotiating its exit,  
the heat dissolving itself  
before the comic face of September.

### Sacerdotal Expression

The moon leans towards the arabesque windows  
suspended on the platform of the brown buildings,  
gathering around the main station like rain clouds.  
Water and light, forgive me, I have taken the dark by the hand.