

# NUDE UKAJ

Utopia

Everything is different, in the horizon the Sun is crumbled The crumbles remained on the earth's heart like triumphant arrows.

We can't recognize the colors through the wind caressing the memory We do not read poetry in the universe of foolishness Where relations between darkness and light Appear just like relations between the wall and thought.

Behind is played the surprising game, just like before Birds are falling in the ground, just like in times when hell was written, Oh God, everything has changed, At a time when a small fence is darkening our our big eyes.

The moon finds a path through mummy hands remaining like arrows towards the sky And the sun dissolving just like a candle through tired eyes Who can't see anything in the blue sky, except a small cloud A cloud darkening everything

Therefore vision is coiled in space Just like the wind creating its avalanche Then many faces appear. At a night, when everything is different, Containing inside the borders within your head

When you feet walk through illusions And squeeze their bad dreams For the time that isn't For the time that wasn't For the time that will not come For the time that goes with the wind. Utopia struggling against reality Her dreams hiding at the corner of secrets Are swallowed

#### Modern Odyssey

Through dreams makes love with Penelope, The road to Ithaca is longer than its distance Between the dream and reality...where the tired vision Explodes in search of Ithaca And returned to the word in the traditional nest. At the swamp full of memories Where their roses are falling apart. And take the colour of Autumn. Tragically. Is stepped over them, just as in lost grounds.

Without a brake opens its minimized eyes Its tired eyes, faded from the endless search. In trouble he is descending the stairs of memory And opens the pages of nostalgia. Full of passion.

In the roads of the world is criss-crossed his confused search. While with nostalgia is searching a small place to take a break Nervous from the tempted cruiser of life In the waives of memory dissolved just as the Sun dew.

Odyssey died in antiquity. In the lap of Penelope is relaxing With the mountain of memories that are fading, Every time that Troy is burned. And Penelope in the window is drawing the reception. Welcome as large as longevity And the letters of this poetry Extending their voice up in the sky.

### Sensing the aroma of myself

She demands an answer For the great dilemmas as big as insuperable mountains. Sitting in an open window, and looks above Very high over "Mother Theresa's Square Where European and Asians walk together.

Suspension has shaken her The same as a man shaken by a nightmare In the dark room, with implanted identity

She looks like a portrait full of mystery And demands the passionate response For the daily questions: Who am I, Me, Is it me? Or the head's shade falling over me Colors, homesickness, love, longevity And the abyss staying nearby her feet.

The window is closed, her eyes enclosed Europeans move quietly Through "Mother Theresa" square.

Albanians skeptical in the middle of white and black. She enlightens the great wall of dilemmas And sadly demands, who am I? She cannot find herself in the century of screams,

Goes through the book of memory, Just like going through a naked book revealed on a first look. While escaping from herself Hidden like the horse in a dense grass, And meditates: Who doesn't want to be me?

### **Juicy fruits**

Beauty is high, between earth and sky Me and you. A brain with mixed thoughts, Is like the great homesickness with rare truths Hiding below a dense grass, wetted grass. Beauty is high, between earth and sky Me and you.

Where the truth falls, Just like tall oak trees from the storm

That's how the path is lost from darkness and gates are invisible In the sacred city.

Time prohibits to reveal the true face In the great garden, where all fruits, all flowers, are planted, Altogether with pain with love.

Deserves happiness Yes, the miracle of happiness.

Your glimpse is vigorous, And your eyes have turned into dry creeks.

The beauty is high, between earth and sky Me and you.

Oh, how brown is the soil and trees have absorbed the soil's color. Except happiness is a tree with juicy fruits In the garden where a dense grass hides our feet.

## A New day

I am awake and sitting in front of the window. It is open, just like my eyes, just like my mouth Just like the flowers that take sun rays on the morning Just like the hills undressed from the dark night.

A tree is up front, and many colors are in it, Is the color of a tree log, of wet leaves and fruits That fulfills her meaning, its existence.

I am in front Just like the window in front of me. And the tree With its invisible roots Keeps all that beauty.

I stay in front of the window and see behind the tree That naked hill, and take a peak towards the horizon There are disappearing pedestrians with various news From the city.

I stay in front of the window and think for two truths. That are fighting, just like my eye's fight with the hill touching the sky And the tree with its deep roots On the earth which is never full of water.

### In a train station

Crowds of people Run towards many directions Some of them have a luggage Some embody confusion in their eyes Some waiting for the train And a few returning to Ithaca like Odysseus

Every one is found to be in one place Where they depart to different directions. However they all have the same purpose The lives' walk O God, the unknown lives' walk.

You are cleaning the front head and with a sweet voice, asking Who is the walk?

Odysseus when returning to Ithaca, Understood that Ithaca was far away from his dreams Everything had changed, except his memories. Ithaca did not remember his heroism She was not Ithaca of Odysseus' dreams.

#### A boat on a waive

It's Saturday and a cold march the roads are shining from frost, the city is quiet sounds are frightening, like mountain's scream from lightening. Cold flowers have the color of a frozen sound, Nothing is shining, neither aroma, neither sound, neither a word.

We are going to the sea, Where there is a sole boat and a masked captain.

He leaves behind quietness and departs towards for the coast To throw himself in the mysteries of turbulent waives.

You are following with imagination its path When she moves through the stormy waives.

A thunder is heart....

Asking surprised, why did it leave the quietness of the coast?

Looking confused with the eyes covering the color of ice And reminds the worst tail. The boat becomes smaller, the waives are growing And the sky is furious.

It Saturday, cold march Flowers are freezing just like your memory Which leaves behind quietness and thrown in the waives of life, There is an abyss amidst desires and reality Between you and breathless reality, life, time... On the earth full of thirst.

#### **The Freedom Of Poetry**

The angels are descending slowly, Softly Quietly With love Over your fiery letters Kissing only the pain that you know Kissing only the love that you see Kissing the solitude touched only by you Caressing the Oh of the bountiful spirit The brave poetry.

Then slowly and slowly Caressing your stone like tears The wrinkled cheeks where the fatherland Of pain has been hit with the times Through the screaming metaphors Screaming all night and day Oh, quiet and scream, scream and keep quiet In a parallel fashion, And emerge with a Sunny smile In the blue mornings with thickened pupils In the black nights with frightening storms They call you beautiful, call you a Queen They call you many names And you are, quiet as solitude With noise like sadness Bending your lifelong pain The endless mystery, just as the creation Where happiness and pain are hit in the mirror And roll the soft vision through the lips From mouth to mouth As a rapacious bird in silence gathers Sometimes pain and at times engulfed in happiness. Oh lucky poetry that loves endlessly.

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#### About author

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