

ISSN 0976-8165

The Criterion



The Criterion

An International Journal in English

Bi - Monthly Refereed & Indexed Open Access eJournal

June 2014 Vol. 5, Issue-3

5th Year of Open Access

Editor-in-Chief

Dr. Vishwanath Bite

Managing Editor

Madhuri Bite

www.the-criterion.com

criterionejournal@gmail.com

About Us: <http://www.the-criterion.com/about/>

Archive: <http://www.the-criterion.com/archive/>

Contact Us: <http://www.the-criterion.com/contact/>

Editorial Board: <http://www.the-criterion.com/editorial-board/>

Submission: <http://www.the-criterion.com/submission/>

FAQ: <http://www.the-criterion.com/fa/>

The Finale**Pankajam**

Absolute stillness in the air
a feel bizarre,
path alongside desolate,
except for a few snoozing dogs,
horizon moonlit,
azure sky littered with yellow flowers,
intermittent drone of night crickets
egress the daunting silence,
an uneasy wheeze prevails,
at times wind chimes, air chill,
wavy billows of mist ascend to the sky,
a flowery fragrance spreads
from the *Kasi thumba*
flanking the periphery,
leaves fallen fly in the streaming breeze.
Each one has their own space here
under mossy stones,
absolutely private, none can intrude.
Peace proliferates,
prayers hang on each grain of sand.
Past frozen, present still, future sealed.