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## Heavy Dreams

Rini Joy

Dreams, once weighty, dared to blossom;  
The inception, a tender grace!  
Yet, gradually, the radiance fades,  
glasses shatter,  
splintering into shards that sear scars into the skin.  
the broken pieces sharp;  
pierce the walls of my heart;  
every time a shadow of a memory lingers around.  
My dreams, once sought, now lost in the abyss,  
an ocean deep and obscure.  
As the sun sets, a spark  
could illuminate a lamp, but  
what will kindle my essence?  
Once steady hands, now afflicted with tremors,  
grasp at wishes and dreams yet to be baptised.  
The Journey left to be travelled calls  
With lips of a lost prayer  
To be born again;  
To sign my last dream;  
To choose again;  
To live a life I love;  
To dream again;  
and die,  
only when my Dream Dies with me.

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