## There Are Moments

There are moments when I love you when I sing from my deep insides and move like a kabuki actor strong yet subtle with a mobile face

and I laugh laugh laughing with the day and when I wake at night

Then . . . moments when I hate you When I'm churned into diamond splinters cutting strangle cords deftly forever with my sharpened sides crying beyond anger into calmness

So here I am stiller than any beverage on a shelf before the pouring seeing only you

and this is what you fear moments beyond loving/hating when I need you

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