

Quartet for 媽媽

我愛你
-娃娃

I. 黑 (hei)

When I look and look to see, stretch
and crack toe
in red expanse eyes frame
頭髮, ebony strands our heirloom :: strands unpredictable,
uncontrollable You ask, *so, what*
do you think of me? I **BEGIN**
in spined symmetries :: Uninsured, crucial
a lone _____ and not alone. My tongue, cried

from 爸爸 leaving [CREATE OR REPLACE type body
] tips
in near pirouette
remembering the reach your arms that held me, baby

alien from outer space I celebrate
the breaking
of grammars in retrieval
hair colors ranges from white, black, brown, and beige
to gold, silver
'why does the professor teach the geography of death?' *Tongue*
all rolled up in his mouth [scrolling
subvocal
stardust searching]

After learning these *American slangs* :: *my broken*
English RETURN tongue find poetry home language
拜拜 *first generational*
gravity
NULL, NULL, NULL

II. 紅 (hong)

parent peace chiii :: percipient patience *blood chemistry*
paretic pinch patin *actually an very old*
 "remnant" military base
This so-called married student housing pain enteric
 from the 2nd world

war tented cairn :: tape tarp tear crept rent trap
 the freezing cold air heir epicritic
several hundred dollars in my pockets epic inch pipe ache
 save the heating oil ice pan
 half the size my hoop dreams

 paretic pinch patin ripen the cheapest price
heart retain *far precious than precious jewelries*
rich in mice ethnic apractic millions
 inherit haptic epitaph phatic actin
 hit the pitch then pen tap thrice

END;
 END;
 END;
precept percept acre pent chat crap chipper

SYSTEM OUT
 preach phenetic hepcat futures
 arch etch each itch retch teach reach
 raphe acini apprentice
 pattern in persistent trine

NUMBER, NUMBER
I hear the millions **on the run** seeking mothers in rhythm
 nation mutation
 slave girl without a race :: molecules
 mouthing rice tripe cipher

III. 白 (bai)

hungry hun gaunt gun
an ah ha with Harriet's sun
Guan Shi Yin nu 呢?

*14 Caucasians
male student from Africa
and me. I couldn't*

paper path in pant
all the sirens go dooooo
China chance that chant

INSERT INTO VALUES
*you can help them to be less
racism or you*

never know. uncage
SELF IN ag nag uh nuance
hang hung cue ugh nah

IV. 蓝 (lan)

As arm drops needle
in rich or-
chestration
pretty please
oh dancing prince
trance us Blue
Danube kin
powder white
the wooden floor
cook and chase
with water; poor
open both the living
room door; western
records freely pore
hide their shoes
everywhere else
a beautiful trap
我要跳
華爾茲舞
in balance with you
我們來找
courtyard filled
with laughter
the sound of strings
happy and relax
no worry about war
or financial burdens
all living beings,
with modesty,
sacrifice the small
one self after
so many years separation
just very natural