

## Hypatia (370-415 nC)

they knew you were superior  
they envied you  
while walking through the corridors  
of wisdom like a man  
uncharted forests in your mind  
explorer woman scientist

they pulled you from your chariot  
their sneers more wicked than the blows  
slow carving of your flesh  
until your bones lay white beneath  
the scorching sun of Africa  
they even took your shells  
abalone innocent  
shrewd and cruel vindictive  
in gods name all difference  
must be slain  
a saintly task this sacrifice  
exterminate obliterate  
annihilate your foreign pleasure  
and your smile  
how dare you be so beautiful  
impassioned and so different  
how dare you be so wise

but you defied them  
still alive  
engraved in passages of time

On sending a poster to a conference...

look well after my brainchild  
lest the siblings of my soul  
fall prey unto unable hands  
syntaxless minds  
or vacant hearts

## Scan

I need to find a beacon  
navigation point  
Polaris or  
the Southern Cross  
Gibraltar or  
a Morro Rock  
I need a viewpoint  
rationale  
perspective  
whence to navigate

my scanning of  
all innocence  
my screening of  
sincerity

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