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## Kwan Yin

for Roshi Joan & Enkyo Roshi

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Robes rustle in the doorway.

The bell rings.

Silhouettes of gowns summon memories of submission.

Now

Refusing centuries of cloister

The women priests enter the temple.

Their strong straight backs bow.

Behind them, KwanYin stands

holding flowers that now might blossom.

May I respectfully remind you.



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