

Black Swan

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all flesh and bones
experienced limbs like
open circuited wires
playing my role,
brain no longer functioning

just

doing.
feeling.
being.

watchers look on
i am the flame

they are the moths.

the uncontrollable fire, burning my roots
leaving it to penetrate
my skull
my spine
toes
arms
legs

i grab for this high that i crave
i brace my body
and claw back
my wings
finally free as they spread
i jump off the roof
and fall to the concrete.