

POEMS FROM THE PAST, VOLUME ONE:  
SATIN BEAUTY #1:  
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## A SILENT DREAM 426

11-16-94 9:28AM

REVISED: 2-28-5

SHE IS A SILENT DREAM,  
WHEN SHE JUST SMILES  
STANDING BEFORE ME.  
HER RADIANCE EXTENDS FOR MILES.  
WHEN OUR GAZES LOCK  
MY KNEES GO WEAK.  
I BEGIN TO ROCK  
IN UTTER DEFEAT.  
WHEN SHE SPEAKS TO ME  
I AM SET ADRIFT INTO AN ALTERED STATE;  
SOME MAJESTIC DREAM SEA  
WITH TIDES CONTROLLED BY FATE.  
I AM LOST IN THIS RAPTUROUS DELIGHT,  
SO DO NOT WAKE ME FROM MY FANTASY  
TONIGHT.

## LET ME DIVE 427

11-16-94 9:40 AM

REVISED:2-28-5

REACHING OUT WITH HANDS SATIN SOFT  
SHE GENTLY TOUCHES ME IN OUR COUNTRY LOFT.

I WAS CAUGHT UNAWARE.  
YES, I WAS TAKEN ABACK.  
SHE RARELY SHOWED HER CARE,  
AND THAT'S A FACT.

SHE POSSESSES AN ELECTRIC TOUCH,  
AND IT MAKES ME FEEL MOST ALIVE.  
I CHERISH IT SO VERY MUCH.  
NOW PREPARE YOUR HEART; MY POOL, FOR MY DIVE.

## LADY RAVEN 428

11-16-94 9:50 AM

REVISED: 2-28-5

RAVEN, YOU ARE A BEAUTIFUL LADY;  
ENTICING WITH YOUR DELICATE FRAME.  
LET ME LISTEN TO YOUR MELODIES  
THAT BRING ME TO TEARS AND YOU TO FAME.

ALLOW ME OPENLY YOUR FAVOR,  
YOUR LOVE GIVEN TO ME.  
MY HEART SHALL FOREVER SAVOR  
YOU, AND DRIVE ME TO ROMANTIC DEEDS.

I BEG OF YOU, LADY RAVEN,  
LET ME TAKE YOU UNDER MY WING.  
I'LL GIVE YOU THE LOVE I'VE BEEN SAVING.  
YOU'LL FEEL THE WARMTH THAT IT BRINGS.

WE ARE NOT WRONG, ONLY STALLED.  
THAT DISTANT DATE IN THE AUTUMN DUSK  
WE BOTH HEARD THE ANGEL OF LOVE CALL.

A NOD AND A HUG FROM BOTH OF US.

## LOVERS SEA 429

11-16-94 11:25AM

REVISED: 2-28-5

SAIL WITH ME,  
AWAY FROM THE ACHES OF THE HEART.  
RIDING FATE'S WAVES OUT TO SEA  
TO ONE OF THE WORLD'S DISTANT PARTS.

I AM JUST A ROMANTIC WITH A FOOLISH NOTION  
SITTING ON THE DOCK WITH TIME TO PONDER.  
I AM LULLED TO DREAMS BY THE RHYTHMIC  
OCEAN—  
OF YOU IN MY ARMS AS WAVES WAKE US WITH  
SALT WATER.

REFLECTED RAYS OF MOONLIGHT  
HIGHLIGHT ONLY OUR FINEST FEATURES: HANDS,  
EYES, HAIR.  
YOUR MANE SO DARLING AND DARK. MINE SO  
LIGHT.  
ALL I CAN THINK, "SHE IS SO FAIR!"

## THE SMILE AND THE DIALOGUE 433

11-21-94 10:30 AM

REVISED: 2-28-5

SMILE ON ME AND  
GIVE MY LIFE MEANING.  
WHEN I'M AWAY FROM YOU, I WALK HOT SANDS  
THAT LEAVE ME WARY, WEEPING, BLEEDING.

SMILE ON ME AND SAY,  
"DARLING, YOU HAVE LOVED ME FOR SO LONG,  
AND TODAY IS THE DAY.  
ALL MY RESERVATIONS HAVE GONE."

OR YOU COULD EXEMPLIFY IT WITH JUST A SMILE  
OR REACH FOR MY HAND AND WE'LL WALK AWHILE.

## I know a woman 434

11-21-94 11:45AM

REVISED: 2-28-5

I KNOW A WOMAN  
A REBEL INDEED.  
EVERY NOW AND THEN  
SHE IGNORES HER HEART  
TELLING HER WHAT SHE NEEDS.

I LOVE HER IN A WAY SO VERY...  
UNIQUE.  
SHE FEARS COMMITMENT; THINKS IT SCARY.  
TO ME, THE FUTURE ISN'T SO BLEAK.

## OUR NEW WORLD 435

11-22-94 10:55AM

REVISED: 2-28-5

MY WORLD WAS GIVEN NEW LIGHT  
WHEN YOU ALLOWED ME YOUR HEART.  
IT WAS GLORIOUS AND LAST NIGHT  
THAT WE VOWED A FRESH AND UNITED START.

ALL THE PAIN AND FRUSTRATION  
HAD NOT BEEN IN VAIN.  
AFTER ALL, I SURVIVED THE DURATION.

WE SHALL BEGIN OUR WORLD ANEW;  
TOGETHER, UNITED, CONTENTED.  
WE DANCE FATE'S DANCE, ME AND YOU.  
NEVER WILL THESE DAYS BE LAMENTED.



## DREAMLAND ESCAPE 437

11-23-94 2:55PM

REVISED: 2-28-5

MILES DISTANT, YES SO FAR AWAY  
FROM YOU MY DEAR.  
I DREAM AND MY HEART'S AT PLAY.  
I LONG TO HOLD YOU NEAR.

THIS DREAMLAND IS MY ONLY ESCAPE  
WHEN I MUST GO FORTH AND TRAVEL  
OUT OF THE STATE.  
OUR NEWFOUND RELATIONSHIP THIS TRIP RAVELS.

## A HIDDEN HEART 441

11-25-94

REVISED: 2-28-5

MY HEART ACHES WITH CONFLICT.  
MY SOUL GAPES WITH A WIDENING RIFT.

I HAVE A LADY WHO KEEPS HER EMOTIONS CODED.  
I WONDER ABOUT HER HEART.  
IN LOVE, I AM SCHOOLED,  
BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW TO HANDLE A HIDDEN  
HEART.

## Wendy<sup>the</sup> DARK SATIN BEAUTY 442

11-27-94 7:15PM

REVISED: 2-28-5

SO OFT HAVE I CALLED YOU "RAVENHAIR",  
YET YOUR TRUE NAME IS FOREVER "BEAUTY".  
THE FIRST HAS MUCH MORE DRAMATIC FLAIR,  
BUT THE LATTER IS JUST AS TRUE TO ME.  
GAZE UPON THE WORLD WITH YOUR ENTRANCING ORBS.  
I LOVE TO LOSE MYSELF WITHIN THEM.  
ALSO WITHIN THEM; CONFLICT, COLLISION OF MANY WORLDS,  
AND THE DEATH'S OF MANY HEARTLESS MEN.  
BEAUTY BEYOND COMPARE  
(IN BOTH THE FLESH AND THE MIND.)  
HOW COULD I DO ANYTHING BUT STARE?  
YOU ARE THE ANGEL I HAVE SEARCHED TO FIND.  
YOU ARE QUITE SARCASTIC AND GIVEN TO WIT.  
"LADY," I SAY, "GIVE YOUR LOVE. I CAN HANDLE IT."

DARK SOUL WITH A SMILE SO BRIGHT,  
I SEE ETCHED IN YOUR SOUL PAIN FROM PAST DAYS.  
IT CLOUDS THE VISION OF YOUR MIDNIGHT EYES.  
AROUND ME YOU DO NOT NEED YOUR DEFENSIVE WAYS.  
FOREVER YOUR SKIN IS AS SOFT AS SATIN,  
AND I LOVE THE SATIN THAT REACHES FOR ME.  
THIS MYSTIC KNOWS NOT WHAT WILL HAPPEN,

BUT GOD SHOULD BLESS LOVERS AND LET THEM BE  
HAPPY.

## WITHOUT MY HEART 443

11-27-94 9:39 PM

REVISED: 2-28-5

PARALLEL YOUR MIND TO MINE  
AND REST ASSURED  
WE SHALL ESCAPE WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT.  
DEXTER'S HARDSHIPS CAN BE ENDURED.

DANCED AWAY SHALL BE THE WORRIES  
AS ONCOMING TEMPERATURES DROP  
AND CLOUDS BRING SNOW TO FLURRY.  
OUR LOVE'S TEMPERATURE; HOT.

FOR YOU AND YOUR HAPPINESS, I STAND,  
THAT IS THE VOW  
I MAKE AS YOUR LOVING MAN  
FOREVER STARTING NOW.

TRUST YOURSELF TO LOVE ME FOR I NEVER  
PLAN TO PART  
WITH YOU, WENDY, BECAUSE I WOULD DEPART  
WITHOUT MY HEART.

## QUESTIONS FOR RAVENHAIR 444

11-27-94 9:51PM

REVISED: 2-28-5

DO YOU KNOW THE JOY YOUR SMILE BRINGS?  
DO YOU KNOW HOW MY HEART SKIPS WHEN YOU SING?

HAS LOVE BEATEN A PATH TO YOUR HEART?  
HAS CUPID YET STRUCK HIS DESIRED MARK?

WILL I FIND YOU BY MY SIDE  
WITH THE FALLING- ONE DAY- OF THE OCEAN'S  
TIDES?

CAN YOU SEE:  
US AS ONE?  
HOW MY HEART HAS BEEN WON?

THESE ARE QUESTIONS FOR MY FAIR, RAVENHAIR,  
A GIRL MORE PRECIOUS THAN AIR.

## I'D WALK TWICE 445

11-27-94 10:06PM

REVISED: 2-28-5

I FEEL I HAVE FOUND  
WHAT NOW MAKES ME WHOLE.  
I FEEL SO SOUND WHEN YOU ARE AROUND.  
A COMPLETENESS OVERCOMES ME  
I NEVER THOUGHT I COULD KNOW.

FOR YOU I WOULD WALK THROUGH HELL TWICE AND  
LAUGH.  
YES, I'D PAY THAT PRICE, AND DAMN THE DEVIL  
WITH MY WRATH.

## ANOTHER DAY 446

11-28-94 8:25AM

REVISED: 2-28-5

I HAVE BEEN GRANTED  
ANOTHER DAY TO NURTURE  
THIS SEED OF LOVE WE PLANTED  
AND PLAN FOR THE FUTURE.

BEFORE YOU SAID YES, DAYS WERE CURSED,  
AND BEFORE I MET YOU,  
MY DEAR, THEY WERE EVEN WORSE.  
NOW I AM NO LONGER BLUE.

TRULY, I CANNOT REMEMBER A TIME BEFORE  
YOU WERE IN MY HEART.  
AS FAR BACK AS THE THIRD GRADE YOU WERE  
ADORED.  
YOU ARE A WORK OF ART.

## BRINGS A TEAR 447

11-28-94 9:30 AM

REVISED: 3-1-5

BEAUTY THAT BRINGS A TEAR TO MY EYE  
AND ALLOWABLE  
TO MY LIPS A SILENT SIGH.  
BEAUTY INFALLIBLE.

ABOVE ARE STATED TRAITS YOU POSSESS,  
THE WARRANT WRITTEN TRUE.  
YOU ARE GUILTY OF NEAR-PERFECTION! CONFESS!  
THE EVIDENCE OBVIOUS WHEN ONE HAS A CLUE.

I SPEAK FROM THE SOUL,  
FOR LIPS CAN LIE.  
I WANT YOU TO KNOW,  
I LOVE YOU WITHOUT A CARE WHY.



## DREAM ME LOVE 452

11-28-94 11:42PM

REVISED: 3-1-5

DREAM ME A HAPPY LIFE  
BY CONFESSING YOUR HIDDEN AFFECTION  
FOR ME. SILENCE IS A SHARP KNIFE.  
SILENCE IS ALSO REJECTION.

PLANT YOUR WORDS IN PAPER'S FERTILE SOIL  
IF IT PUTS YOU MORE AT EASE.  
KNOW THAT I WILL ALWAYS LOVE YOU LOYAL  
IF ONLY ALONE, SHADED AND DREAMING UNDER  
TREES.

# Entertainment of Thought 453

11-29-94 11:05AM

REVISED: 3-1-5

ENTERTAIN MY SOUL  
AND ITS ROMANTIC ASPIRATIONS.  
I KNOW YOU DON'T KNOW  
OUR FINAL DESTINATION.

I CAN SEE IT CLEARLY,  
THIS FUTURE WE HAVE TOGETHER.  
DINING WHILE DISCURSING DEARLY.  
SOFT KISSES FOR SOFTER LIPS,  
CARESS MY SKIN MY FEATHER.

I HEAR YOUR VOICE SINGING  
TO ME AND A CANDLE FLAME DANCING.  
YOUR VOICE BRINGING  
EMOTIONS WHILE ROMANCING  
ME.

## PROPOSITION OF THE BOLD QUEST 454

11-29-94 11:50 AM

TOTALLY REWRITTEN 3-1-5: NOT A WORD REMAINS THE SAME AS THE ORIGINAL.

SOME WORDS OLD,  
SOME NEW.  
ALL HONEST  
AND WRITTEN FOR YOU.

TIME HAS NOT FADE  
NOR JADED MY HEART.  
IN DREAMS YOU SERENADED,  
SOOTHED ME WITH YOUR AUDIBLE ART.

MY FINGERS PLAYED  
IN THE ENDLESS EXPANSES OF YOUR HAIR.  
LIKE A SERVANT, I OBEYED  
THE FIRES OF DESIRE BURNING IN THE LOINS  
OF MY LADY FAIR.

WE ARE LIKE PRISONERS TOUCHING OPPOSITE  
SIDES OF THE GLASS SEPARATING US.  
WHEN I NEED TO FEEL CLOSER, I WRITE  
LIKE TONIGHT. I ADDRESS

THE FEELINGS SIMMERED A DECADE WITHIN.  
THEY GLIMMER IN THE REFLECTING POOL  
SPARKLING WAVES THAT TWIST AND BEND  
BUT HAVE NEVER TOTALLY UNSPOOLED.

## SPEAK BOLD, BUT SPEAK TRUE 455

11-30-94 9:12AM

WHEN YOU DESIRE DESPERATELY TO BE HEARD  
HERE IS WHAT YOU MUST DO:  
YOU MUST USE VIVID, PASSIONATE WORDS.  
LET THEM EBB SOFTLY FROM YOU.

DO NOT BE SO BOLD IN YOUR ENDEAVOR  
THAT YOU SAY SOMETHING YOU DO NOT MEAN.  
IF IT IS IN HER HEART, SHE WILL GRANT YOU  
FAVOR.  
IF NOT, REMAIN HONEST, YET REJECTED AGAIN.