

# Karrina Song

Flagstone sky  
Cobbled cloud  
Home is dirt

We back

Cross bends over steeple  
St. Dominic greets no one  
Schools triple up across town

We back

Full empty & flooded with no  
No daddy, no mama,  
No brother no bread

We back

In the gutted house, a piano  
Rusts into silence and waiting  
To be towed to Texas

We back

Help Wanted in every window  
Where menus are abbreviated  
Sit anywhere

We back

Magnolia poisoned by salt  
Bougainvillea's fuchsia downpour  
Gift of the generous drought

We back

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