

Annie Avery most recently featured in San Francisco for Quiet Lightning and was published in Sparkle & Blink issue 3.4. Surviving teen homelessness, she has come up through the streets using her poetry to express her inextinguishable hope and vision into the beauty of life. Annie has also performed at the Los Angeles Comedy Store and enjoys doing backbends in her spare time.



# Step Off Annie Avery

I just might step off here

And glide through the silky dark

Through brawling waves

Through fresh ancient streets

Through undulating currents of thick varied voices

Through thick breaths of flirty herb

I fly

I step back onto soggy streets

Past glittering pavement corners

The earth swells and falls

Dust still breathing

Nightfall my easy cap