

Undressing

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I have yet to discern
An elegant way
To rematriate beads
Once gifted

Twice gifted

Thrice gifted

When sometimes you forget,

for a moment

That I am human



[1] Dressing: a Métis cultural practice involving the spontaneous gifting of clothing and adornments, often from one's own back.

Biography

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