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Tubes of bronze sunlight
Demand illumination.
On a cold, frosty,
Lacewoven morning,

You, a falcon, appeared at
The doorstep of my empty hearth.
Your dynamic wings lifted and
Presented me with golden warmth.

You brushed, shined, rubbed and
Painted my feathers until
They too were strong
And ready for flight.

We flew 3000 lightyears
Above gossiping black clouds,
Above whispering, giggling children.
Our glowing wings make light

My tired, weary heart
Who was heavy from
Listening to stories
From paperdoll cutouts.

Today I saw a small rip
And a frozen tear on the
Edge of your feathered sail.
I have no mending tool,

Only a spare wing you may borrow
Or keep. Electric heaters don't work.
You can find it on my doorstep,
Freshly brushed, shined, and painted.

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