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A wedding at midnight, everyone dew-shined
under a yellow mellow moon without star,
chuckling river sugaring the be-rhymed
strum-a-strumstrum of quiescent guitars
and the whap-a-whapwhap of bittersweet drums,
the Rockabilly Bebop Band Rhythm and Blues
as crazy as lightning bugs in glass jars.
Chanting Priestly Ones wear red cingulums
tied around robes of chrysanthemums.
The Bride in spangles, the Groom in denims,
speak slowpoky words of molasses love
and the skyhigh goodshould of wishkissed vows
in the sonority of owl and mourning dove.
Consecrated doo-woppy honeyed elixir flows
into goblets raised to whatever enchants.
Sand danced to smoke. Morning breaks stealthily
and shocks the spell with a moonless reality.