Punk girl sketching the Parthenon frieze

In flowing black, down to black boots hard as stone But hairless, shaven, like a gold-glowing dome And one earring and one twinkling stud In each nostril she sits sketching Part of the drapes of the wall of frieze.

In the distance the torso of *Iris* agrees A head's an inessential. Her carved clothes Rush against her body during flight Though hide the lightest beating of a heart. Two headless creatures are making a sketch.

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