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## Paper Hearts

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The rostrum for these girls;  
do not sigh  
squeak about lovers, riches  
and those big bad boys who bite their asses  
Tiny, one-act plays at dinner;  
more coffee,  
eggs on lettuce;  
baggy eyed and scratching.  
Flowers in cellophane,  
like coffins on the phone table  
during the day.  
Who are they from?  
For the lapel.  
At night, spitting boys,  
laughing loud to be heard,  
herd for flesh and tiny drunken smiles  
behind red green eyes, on top of bitten bottoms.  
Showers and cheek jelly for play;  
for the brute;  
for Valentines Day;  
for every day with paper hearts!