## HOLY CROSS POETRY WALK

## 21. Base of O'Kane Porch



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## 21. Here And Now

- Louie Alexandris

In time,

The droplet dangles from its perch,

And falls down to the Earth.

In a moment,

A page becomes a book

And a word is transformed into a sentence.

Time slowly seeps from out the sieve

A second to a minute, and a minute

Into an hour.

A lifetime lived in a minute,

And to trade it all for a moment?

An overcast cloud hangs over

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Our memories museum.

- To forever dwell on a moment
- Of the faintest trace of perfection,
- Whole or fragmented,
- These pieces become our lives,
- To be bound to the perfectly imperfect
- Architecture of our minds.
- A yoke that sits upon the neck of
- The king and the pauper; and forever define us.

## Inspired by:

Pauline Garcia-Viardot, Hildegard of Bingen, et al, "Cello Recital: Femmes," Raphaela Gromes, Sony Classical, 2023, Naxos Music Library.

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