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in a waiting room cigarette smoke obscuring the no-smoking sign

> in hushed darkness a telephone ringing, ringing from the house next door

wearing no bra — and beneath her t-shirt only one breast

in the hard spray from a back-street fireplug a rainbow fragment

a rabbit's silhouette fixed in sand fired to radioactive glass

> — William Woodruff Pasadena CA

MADONNA BURNED BY IRISH MEN FROM BOSTON

can't afford to get stoned on their blarney

COMMON PLANTAIN MADONNA

not particularly beautiful but is likable and peaceful