

# Two Poems

*Colin Smith*

## Advanced Funk Studies

*(for Catriona Strang & the AFS mob)*

Depends on the individual nose,  
or socius. Incorporated 1806. P-  
uh. Your bad self (rad elf).  
Into consciousness at 1:52. Speramus  
Meliora. Mister Clinton, first  
governor. Carred. Excuse me  
while I tort. Roach  
on bank vault wall. Cutting.  
Dieting. Depressed. Tall  
anxiety, zapped confidence. New  
York City saved by its teachers (1975). Extreme  
fonkitude. What might grow in global eyes?

(So high!, couldn't distinguish  
between Parliament and Art  
Ensemble of Chicago, or was it really  
that they were collaborating onstage this evening, so fabulous!  
Clattery songs with no exit, I  
danced, danced and rose. Dropped  
my flashlight, though. Crawled home.)

"Let me put on my sunglasses here, so  
I can see what I'm doin'." Got to get  
over Reagan's hump (squirm on  
his shoulders, beat time  
on his motherfucken head). Mounted  
by Mulroney. R-E-S-P-  
A-C-K. Sad pelt. Bailing out  
a corporation but not a populace.  
Files for bankruptcy 18 July 2013.

"Anyone want to buy  
a badly used city, cheap?" Omni  
Consumer Products. Resurget  
Cineribus. Minimalist  
techno scrawled huge.

## Language Moon

*(for Marie Annharte Baker)*

labourer

moon

skirmish

moon

beanbag

moon

chastity

moon

hoodwink

moon

jukebox

moon

mauve

moon

roofless

moon

payload

moon

screamer

moon

balmy

moon

checkpoint

moon

throstle

moon

labradorite

moon

skitter

soon

beadroll

boon

chattel

croon

hooey

hoon

Julian

June

maximal  
    maroon  
rope  
    rune  
peacetime  
    poon  
scrimshaw  
    swoon  
bambino  
    broom  
cheerful  
    clone  
thrumming  
    tune  
  
old-world  
    moon  
hard-pressed  
    moon  
yippee  
    moon  
xylem  
    moon  
sextant  
    moon  
quasar  
    moon  
no-ball  
    moon  
illusionist  
    moon  
kinship  
    moon  
hanker  
    moon  
yearbook  
    moon  
x-ray  
    moon  
gauche  
    moon

offing heavy-duty yeoman O O O  
O xenon sans-culotte O O qualified  
nonesuch O O ingestible kamacite  
O hatchway O yardstick xebec  
guarantor O O O

(Jan15 jailbreak Feb14 fine structure Mar16  
mews Apr15 anaphora May14 mouthpiece Jun13  
Janus Jul12 jussive Aug10 amoral Sep8  
scanner Oct8 observance Nov6 neon Dec6  
dionysian)

O the rising and sinking and  
everything in between





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