

an atmosphere of nudity

partial nudity  
suggested nudity  
forbidden nudity  
revolting nudity  
casual nudity  
severe nudity  
hiding the hidden nudity.

some art breathes in an ocean of hormones hugging perspective  
just turns at us and gives us a one eye wink  
tells you that this is not for you  
is plainly messy and confused  
is the geometry of unconvincing lines and color  
is there for the just struggle  
is there because the struggle is over.

adults judging  
adults juggling children  
children seldom looking away  
older children looking for hints.

polyamorous habitat  
the art museum  
the center of the cultural square  
is celebrated  
is tolerated  
is ignored  
or destroyed by countercultures.  
or destroyed and looted by other states.

while it endures  
it spits out values  
it spits out the dreams within the artist and what they want to disclose  
it spits out the dreams within the artist that are transferred in disguises.  
all of it is for  
the critics  
the art lovers

the ones that need to be seen to be looking  
the ones that want to peek pretending they are not.  
they want judgment in a safe place  
with guards of not too close  
with guards of do not touch  
rooms with constant temperature  
rooms with humidity control  
unhindered and anonymous  
without the public seepage you see on the street.  
it can confront.  
it can confound.  
it can transcend.  
it can weaken the will.  
it can be what it wants to be.  
i am never sure about the way it shares.  
the unease of a parent with a child.  
the unease of a parent with their parents.  
the spectrum of unshared thoughts between strangers.

the things that we all share in the atmosphere where  
we express ourselves with  
lowered voices so we do not disturb  
what others are thinking  
or do not want to think  
or do not want to think about  
what we are thinking.

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