The Sun-Artist

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a book of pattern poems

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In memory of Alison Kelly
1960 – 2013

and you will find one bright morning
your boat moored at a different shore.
—Antonio Machado

Winter Solstice at Dowth, 3pm

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at the Cross of Muiredach, Monasterboice, c. 850–2009AD

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    d e e p s h a d o w e d
s   d e e p s h a d o w e   s
 s   d e e p s h a d o w   s
s u   d e e p s h a d o   s u
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s u n   d e e p s h a   s u n
 s u n   d e e p s h   s u n
s u n s   d e e p s   s u n s
 s u n s   d e e p   s u n s
s u n s e   d e e   s u n s e
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s u n s e t   r e   s u n s e t
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s u n s e   r e n e   s u n s e
 s u n s   r e n e w   s u n s
s u n s   r e n e w s   s u n s
 s u n   r e n e w s r   s u n
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 f   r e n e w s r e n e w   f
f a   r e n e w s r e n e   f a
 f a   r e n e w s r e n   f a
f a d   r e n e w s r e   f a d
 f a d   r e n e w s r   f a d
f a d i   r e n e w s   f a d i
 f a d i   r e n e w   f a d i
f a d i n   r e n e   f a d i n
 f a d i n   r e n   f a d i n
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  f a d i n g     f a d i n g
   f a d i n   p   f a d i n
  f a d i n   p a   f a d i n
   f a d i   p a t   f a d i
  f a d i   p a t t   f a d i
   f a d   p a t t e   f a d
  f a d   p a t t e r   f a d
   f a   p a t t e r n   f a
  f a   p a t t e r n s   f a
   f   p a t t e r n s p   f
  f   p a t t e r n s p a   f
    p a t t e r n s p a t
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deepshadowed sunset renews fading patterns

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        i l l u m i n a t i o n
    s   i l l u m i n a t i o   s
      s   i l l u m i n a t i   s
    s u   i l l u m i n a t   s u
      s u   i l l u m i n a   s u
    s u d   i l l u m i n   s u d
      s u d   i l l u m i   s u d
    s u d d   i l l u m   s u d d
      s u d d   i l l u   s u d d
    s u d d e   i l l   s u d d e
      s u d d e   i l   s u d d e
    s u d d e n   i   s u d d e n
      s u d d e n     s u d d e n
    s u d d e n   s   s u d d e n
  s u d d e n   s h   s u d d e n
    s u d d e   s h a   s u d d e
  s u d d e   s h a d   s u d d e
    s u d d   s h a d o   s u d d
  s u d d   s h a d o w   s u d d
    s u d   s h a d o w s   s u d
  s u d   s h a d o w s h   s u d
    s u   s h a d o w s h a   s u
  s u   s h a d o w s h a d   s u
    s   s h a d o w s h a d o   s
  s   s h a d o w s h a d o w   s
    w   s h a d o w s h a d o   w
  w o   s h a d o w s h a d   w o
    w o   s h a d o w s h a   w o
  w o r   s h a d o w s h   w o r
    w o r   s h a d o w s   w o r
  w o r l   s h a d o w   w o r l
    w o r l   s h a d o   w o r l
  w o r l d   s h a d   w o r l d
    w o r l d   s h a   w o r l d
  w o r l d s   s h   w o r l d s
    w o r l d s   s   w o r l d s
    w o r l d s     w o r l d s
    w o r l d   f   w o r l d
  w o r l d   f l   w o r l d
    w o r l   f l u   w o r l
  w o r l   f l u t   w o r l
    w o r   f l u t t   w o r
  w o r   f l u t t e   w o r
    w o   f l u t t e r   w o
  w o   f l u t t e r i   w o
    w   f l u t t e r i n   w
  w   f l u t t e r i n g   w
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sudden illumination shadow-worlds fluttering

Daytrip on the Enterprise

Dublin-Belfast Return
Monday – Saturday

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        Dep                      Dep
      Dublin                   Belfast
  D 09.35 D                B 18.10 B
  U 09.35 U                E 18.10 E
  B 09.35 B                L 18.10 L
  L 09.35 L                F 18.10 F
  I 09.35 I                A 18.10 A
  N 09.35 N                S 18.10 S
                           T 18.10 T


        Dep                      Dep
     Drogheda                 Drogheda
  D 10.06 D                D 19.41 D
  R 10.06 R                R 19.41 R
  O 10.06 O                O 19.41 O
  G 10.06 G                G 19.41 G


B O Y N E   V   I A D U C T   B   O Y N E V   I   A D U C T
 O Y N E   V I   A D U C T   B O   Y N E V   I A   D U C T
  Y N E   V I A   D U C T   B O Y   N E V   I A D   U C T
   N E   V I A D   U C T   B O Y N   E V   I A D U   C T
    E   V I A D U   C T   B O Y N E   V   I A D U C   T
   N E   V I A D   U C T   B O Y N   E V   I A D U   C T
  Y N E   V I A   D U C T   B O Y   N E V   I A D   U C T
 O Y N E   V I   A D U C T   B O   Y N E V   I A   D U C T
B O Y N E   V   I A D U C T   B   O Y N E V   I   A D U C T


  H 10.06 H                H 19.41 H
  E 10.06 E                E 19.41 E
  D 10.06 D                D 19.41 D
  A 10.06 A                A 19.41 A


        Arr                      Arr
      Belfast                  Dublin
  B 11.50 B                D 20.15 D
  E 11.50 E                U 20.15 U
  L 11.50 L                B 20.15 B
  F 11.50 F                L 20.15 L
  A 11.50 A                I 20.15 I
  S 11.50 S                N 20.15 N
  T 11.50 T
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The Dream-Clock