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NAVIGATING

I MADE A LITTLE BOAT OF PAPER
WHERE I WROTE MY FEELINGS.

WHEN THE RAIN CAME
IT NAVIGATES
THROUGHT FLOODED STREETS OF THE CITY
– WITH TH RAIN I LOST MY FEELING –

SERGIO MATTOS
TEXAS

DILUTD VERSE

ON A DESERTED STREET
I FOUND A VERSE
IN ORDER BOT TO LOSE IT
IN THE PALM OF MY HAND
I WROTE IT.
RAIN WITHOUT IMPORTANCE
WASHED MY HAND AND DILUTED MY VERSE
THAT RAN ON THE ASPHALT AND DISAPPEARED.

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TEXAS

REQUEST

OF THE GARDENER THEY ASK FOR THE ROSE
OF THE JUDGE THEY ASK FOR JUSTICE
OF THE POET THEY ASK THE TRUTH

WHY DOES ONE ASK FOR A ROSE
WHEN ONE KNOWS THAT OFF THE BRANCH
IT WILL LIVE FOR A SHORT TIME ?

WHY DOES ONE ASK FOR JUSTICE
WHEN ONE KNOWS THAT HE WHO OWES
WILL PAY YET DURING HIS LIFETIME ?

WHY DOES ONE ASK FOR THE TRUTH
WHEN EVERYBODY KNOWS HOW ASK
AND FEW KNOWS HOW TO ANSWER

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