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# I Hold Life in My Hand

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I am the fiery purple searing the dusk sky  
With a sunflower shape swaying  
In a warm, seductive summer breeze

I, the Toccata and Fugue in D minor,  
Pounce on your delicate ears  
While my Thai noodle taste, splattered  
With peanut sauce taunts your mouth

I, the electric violin, seize  
The soul behind your eyes;  
My sea turtle body invading  
Every inch of your ocean mind

I, the cherry blossom, shade  
You from Death's gnawing obliteration  
While you flee to the white sand beach  
In your '65 mustang: bleach pink

I am the third mermaid that plunges  
To the bottom of the abandoned lake  
Searching for the overstuffed couch  
From which you came