## **Headless Clay Woman**

## **And Also The Trees**

Under amillion scattered stars >From rippled earth that's cracked and sleeping Under the frozen static stars The headless clay woman's Shimmering body stands And the frost that locks her nakedness Melts away Through air that's crystal black ink shadows As sharp as the thickest thorn and the ice She moves painless, slow and flowing Across the wild and trembling path And the headless clay woman's Motionless beauty shines Restless stars reflect in wet red streams Across her back Her bare feet step over the split stones Past the water pump and the pail Round and round the paint flaking empty house And past the glass warped window And the headless clay woman She stands half up and half down the stairs She cannot see the bottom And she cannot see the top A million stars are shining A million stars... As she lies back down In the frozen warped world