

## Sunstroke House

Augie March

O, fraudulent mirror, oh, rank rainbow toad  
I'd break apart too, if I knowed what you knowed  
I'd fall from the wall, I'd leap from the road  
You take cover in the clover, you don't shoulder the load

Wagner and wife, drama and strife  
Their syphilitic friend Dionysus is wise not to ask  
"Where's Sunstroke House?"  
Where's a crow on the far fence? Where's a mill by the pond?

Pale with horror, I saw you when your bird flew  
Now who in the whole low world has been kind to you?  
Save for a kindly, ugly few  
Don't read it, don't watch it, don't do what they do

From the wind in the winter, no mercy, no quarter  
From the summer no mercy, and little goes well  
That's where you'll live, that's where you'll live  
Till a gale rips ya sail, till a will kills ya mill

Where have you been, my heat, my shadow?  
How well did you like the song?  
I filled it so full of nonsense and unrule  
You feel like there's something forgotten or fell

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Pink lipped bub, golden haired sitting  
Portraits of withering roots  
Pretty diversions, pointless excursions  
Pleasant distractions, underground mutes