

# Panophobia

## The Agonist

Keep out the intruders! Put the drawbridge up!  
The enemy ransacked what we had just rebuilt!  
Now the garden lies in serene symmetry  
And severe color theory.

Roots slowly poisoning  
Through strategic seeds planted inside. We're much  
safer self-preserved.  
Let the Dead Sea rise.  
No, the watch dogs aren't robots.  
They can't defend against their lures.  
Doors that weld shut behind you and books that fly like  
birds.

Crushed by backpacks filled with ammo, luggage carts  
distracted the defense.  
And the troops sneak in undetected, charades begin,  
start the pretense.  
Obsessive thought in royal chambers invites Trojan  
warriors in.  
Little exceptions seem so harmless, little victories,  
little wins.

And now why has the plan failed? We sit here aimless  
once again.  
With all units deployed fully, how is it we let him in?  
All the corporals agreed: zero-tolerance enforced.  
But as cold as doorknobs were I somehow still opened  
the doors.

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timeline.  
We all fear the last few inches but they're so far out,  
we're blind.  
Each battle lost...

A dysfunctional team, we are, no one following the  
rules.  
Yes I'll do my best to protect you but your  
disobedience intrudes.  
Skeletons escape the flesh like ants through tightly  
clenched fists.  
This time impeach the tyrant!

What a contradictory statement - suicidal self-  
preservationist.  
Although logic understands, prison chambers still  
exist.  
Chambers East and West conspiring, neighbors North and  
South unite.  
With the four working against me I'm powerless and  
losing sight!

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This is a forced entry. This is algometry.

This is panophobic.

Immunity gets sick.

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Taken down, brick by brick.

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This is the last conflict.