# The Deconstructionist’s Karma

this is a poem

it is the best poem in history

it may be the best poem in the galaxy

why is it the best poem?

because the poet is the best poet in history

it follows that the best poet’s latest poem

must be the best

this is arrogance, you say

the poet agrees

it is unjustifiable

yet there it is

the poet wants to be the best poet in history

feels he must be the best poet in history

therefore must set himself up for success

this is in the nature of constant positive self-affirmation

to be the best, one must claim to be the best

the poet does not care whether you agree or not

nor does he care whether his peers are his peers or not

when the poet reads poetry by other poets

he may feel himself to be better than them

that is, he writes better poetry

he may, however, come across other writer’s work

which he considers to be better than his

therefore, his next task

is to again write the best poem in history

as the poet is doing now

no matter that ten seconds after the poet completes it

there may be a new best poem and best poet

the poet accepts this, and lives for the day it will not be so

who is the poet trying to impress?

you, stupid

whether you are poet, critic, consumer or burning this poem for warmth

you must agree with the poet as to the intrinsic worth of this poem

further, the main audience for whom this poem is written

is the consumer, so there

critics may fart and belch as they please

their adulation is neither required nor rejected

other poets: the poet considers you competition

for the title of best poet in history

he respects your work, enjoys it as a consumer

yet wishes to punch you on the jaw (figuratively)

sorry about that, can’t be helped

the object of this poem

like all the poet’s other poems

is to cause orgasms in the reader or listener

comparable to the sensation of ejaculation under

the influence of the finest drugs

the poet realizes that the chance of success

is minimal

however

eventually it will come to pass

the audience of consumers

will all become moist with passion

please bring spare underwear to the poet’s next reading

just in case

the best poem in history is almost complete

it will be done in 12 words

it will have an excellent ending, the best

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history