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## FRONT PORCH SEAT AT A MIDNIGHT OPERA

*Andrew Smith*

The moon conducts a symphony:  
Street lamp electricity hum;  
a crossing signal flash keeps time.

The scurried percussion of leaves  
add life to the  
woodwind drone of the trees.

A dog heeds the maestro  
and solos on cue,  
while a chorus of felines  
wail the harmonies.

Loose-hinged screen door cymbals  
crash as the  
breeze swells to crescendo.

Bravo, wind chimes!