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Late Autumn Sunrise. Jack Kreger

Paris Café Writing **Mardelle Fortier**

Moon falls over a sidewalk café
and I write in a slow drip of words.
Espresso tries to shake synapses awake
as I scribble on a lonely page.

Two painters pontificate at the next table
while a poem leafs out in the dark.
In the lulls of silence I can almost hear
the faint music at my core.

Hunger drives me from deep inside;
have not eaten all day. I weep
for every artist, striving down solitary
streets of the heart.