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I Yearn For
Kristy A. Belton

The freedom of madness
snarling, spitting, heaving

I want to howl as I speak
paw the earth as I dance
and shit on human artifice

I want to smell rain on fierce wind
feel sunlight on naked skin
and roam in places where
only wild things run free

I want to plant seeds in spaces
roots have been torn out
and breathe buds into blossom

I want to break open like fractured earth
revealing worlds where soul leaps
and sing my madness
straight through to the center

