

## Summer's Night

Suddenly silence --  
separating the staccato sirens  
from the steamy night air.

The city; a wailing infant --  
taking a momentary breath  
before shrieking resumes.

That silence hangs in the air,  
like a glass just before  
it shatters on the floor.

A lifetime passes in that instant --  
and yet too short  
to move a muscle.

The night resumes --  
but that moment lingers  
in my mind.

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