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**A STILLBIRTH**  
by Cherise Bacalski

comes knocking at 2am, you let it in & still coming to terms

is not your thing. it's not your chromosomal aberrations i  
admire, it's your dedication to the preening of others, living the  
lonelies of lovers lost, the losers, those, the living, loving even  
though the thought

congratulates them on that that they never knew—

a man's life is photogenically escaping death.