

A photograph of a canal boat on a narrow waterway. The boat is long and narrow, with a dark hull and a light-colored upper section. It is positioned on the left side of the frame, moving towards the right. The water is calm, reflecting the boat and the surrounding greenery. In the background, there are trees and foliage, creating a lush, natural setting. The overall tone of the image is serene and peaceful.

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canal boats woven finger thin  
side by side and end on end –  
red and green and gold and black  
beaded through the city's heart  
like messengers that time forgot –

we paced the may day grey and long  
around – between – beside – above  
the twisting network of canals  
like strangers who did not belong  
to bridges cobbling our paths –

our words flowed water soft and slow  
threading through – beyond – below –  
slipping shadow soft into  
reflections – gathering the haze  
of ghosted boats and liquid days.

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