

Over The Rhine

"The Body is a Stairway of Skin"

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the body
is a stairway
of skin
you open the door
i let you in
carry your story
through the thick and thin
i feel the angels
dancing on a pin
they dance

the body
is a book
of matches
a little fire
is required
of this kindling flame
Ohio Blue Tip Strike Anywhere
strike me
anywhere

the body
is a hallway
of mirrors
you have to jump
and a net will appear
you can see
there are so many of us
here
breaking
is the one thing
we all fear
breaking is the one thing
break it down
break me down like the quiet part of a song
the body
is an apple
on a tree
the body
is an apple
on the very first tree

ripe
round
forbidden
ripe
round
shake it down

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