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Shahin Najafi ''Bamdad''

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A man who brought honor to the word man A man who made the demise of human-kind unlikely He was a plain to which mountains bow A man in the mythic form of pain He was the line that crossed out the thesis of the downfall of love He reinterpreted all words He flew to the top of the story, he didn't eulogize He brought water and fire next to each other in his poem When everyone is scared of his/her own shadow, Behind each door someone is shaking When our brother is on a gallows or in a prison-cell When each rebellious, strong woman is called a whore Forough proliferated poetry in our lives Forough illustrated Fereydoun of the story again Forough didn't get lost, she didn't close her eyes to deaths of acacias He sat down, but when they cut his legs He didn't bend, He died standing up and at his zenith He didn't sell himself out to the elite for money Father, you are the replication of a pain afresh Father, you are the meaning of a poetic life Father, you are the anger of the street, and the anger is in your fist

Father, you are a poet of a generation who stands behind you When devil killed love and love lost its meaning So that no song comes out of a canary's throat the night that even hangman cried next to the gallows Kaveh's scream died and a cold slogan was shouted in the alleys of the city The mother-sea lashed the sons of uncle-desert The day that they dragged Hafez in the streets The judge sentenced atheist Khayam to prison The day that they killed Sadegh for the crime of committing suicide all the stray dogs became Tahamtan Stars were no longer in the sky, they were in Evin prison Under the feet of each one of our children were mines All the windows were closed and blackened The hope for taking an easy breath was smashed Brother sold brother, father sold mother They destroyed all beliefs and faiths God sat and cried, and gave back his god-ness Satan got drunk of sadness and threw up what he had eaten They washed the books from words They forced all the words to sit and cut their necks Humanity got lost and from genuineness went to show off in religious-beard Some got their necks thickened from the oil revenues They covered up women and entered motta with them They put the red tongue of protest under the blade

But I am a generation that has not lost its roots

I am a broken rancor and a throat full of scream

I am a slapped face and a shroud full of pain

No matter in what conditions and clothes I am, whether I am a woman or man

These days will pass by, I am alive with hope

This situation will change

Will change, I know

This situation will change

Will change, I know

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