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YOUR EYES

Nakiah Baker

make my heart bleed butterflies
that fly into my throat
so that I am hardly breathing
through beautiful, flapping wings
There are so many beautiful things
that make me stop and thank God
Of them all, you are the one
that takes my breath away
I don't mean to be cliché
but your smile blew a breath
so strong
the air left my lungs
in a way that twists my tongue
and leaves me painfully aware
of my heartbeat



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