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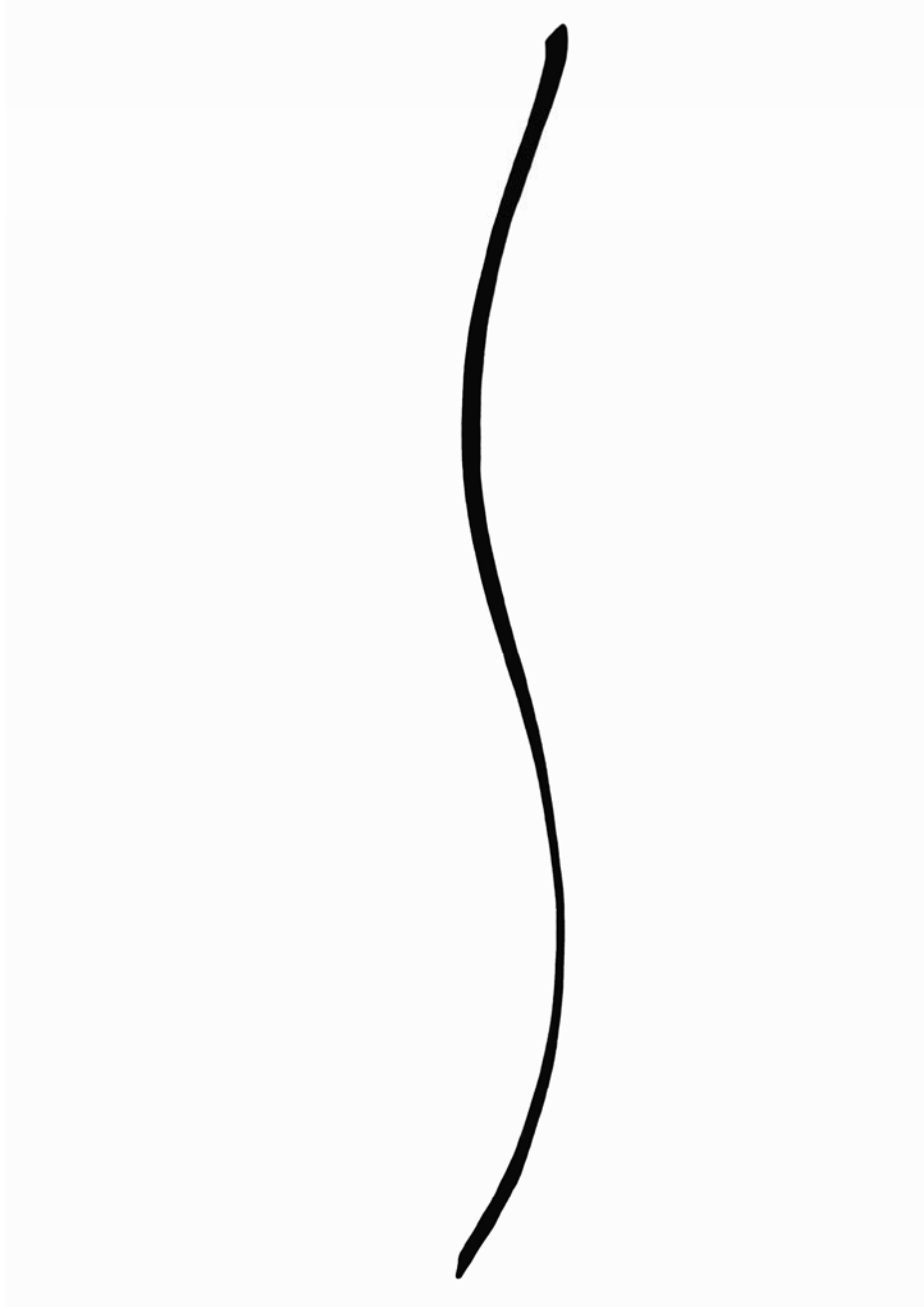
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## **Another Poet**

Did the bell ring?

I heard nothing.

At the door, waiting, unhurried,

Stands the final poet.

Stands still and states her syllables,

Not one not necessary.

No practiced drummer of intricate meter she,

No peacock-painter nor crystal palace architect.

Slowly she speaks, and softly.

She beckons me to the purity of her line,

Her poem is a simpler one than mine.

## **Attraction**

**( To be spoken on a deck by the seashore )**

Sun

Holds earth captive, earth moon, moon sea. You me.

The gravity of attraction

Bends

Our stiff separate tangents

Into one complicity.

The eye does not tire of the sight of the sea.



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