# **Poetry Series**

# Ayi Escalona - poems -

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Ariel is not a poet nor a writer but arranging words is his way of assassinating boredom.

#### A Honduras Con Amor

Cómo podría vencer la soledad de la noche Cuando cada chispa de la quema de los pensamientos es el dolor de Y ese corazón bombea lágrimas y la sangre no Voy a seguir llorando y esperar a que la herida sane O solo beso de despedida de las huellas de antaño.

Cómo podía escuchar su risa
Cuando su alegría se desvanece eco en la distancia
Voy a sobrevivir cada corte brutal de silencio
Voy a correr como loco y ladró a la luna
O coger las estrellas y jugar con la noche

Cómo podría ver su rostro
Cuando se talló una sonrisa maravillosa
Voy a mirar al sol y soportar el calor cegador
O dejar que la iluminación de cortar los cielos
Y ruego que el trueno a gritar mi anhelo

(i dont speak Spanish, please let me know if this translation is right... thank you everyone)

## A Little Email

i could get tired reading a novel trudging through all the chapters paragraph by paragraph line upon line and digest all the sentences to get thrilled

to the greatest romance to most hostile war to the greatest discoveries to the deepest mysteries to the most aweful horror stories to the greatest undertakings

but none of those amuses me none of those excites me none of those marveled me none of those inspired me except.... a precious little email from M.E.

# Bang!

the door goes bang

he leaves with no assurance that he is returning

she stays and something went bang!

could be a gun and her hands and her bed

he does not want to know out there

in the island of himself where a surf and a tide lies in his solitude

back to the door that went

bang

and the real bang of the head

some prayers need to be offered

# **Beautiful Hands**

are hands that work

## Celebration

flickers of silver lights

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traversed the skies
roaring like thunder's
glaring despise....
whistling bombs
take its toll
deafening the
ears of every soul

It's christmas...
the christians celebrate
the time to ponder
on the saviour's birthdate
in the manger that once
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a holy child laid

missioned to save

the earthling's misdeed

# Christmas, Day After

The roads are unusually silent Like a tuneless music room I felt so deaf to listen to nothing Aimlessly I am drifted to no where

Outside, the unused road gathered dust Settled thick like enthusiastic migrants Anywhere from the treacherous trip And it's good for the road because

While its thickness accumulate
To my pocket is a kind of different
There are only few stories to tell
When Christmas leaves the air

Yesterday's celebration was quite fine Firecrackers and carols are here and there Those hungry and inconvenient sounds Partly emptied my pity and echoing pockets

Foods are scattered everywhere
As if there are no mouths to fed tomorrow
But it is Christmas, and as they say
It is good to give

In the morning, I woke up tired
I crawled unhealthy but high in spirits
Last night's crystal glass is so tempting
I just can't evade the sparkles of this treacherous liquid

Good! the fridge, is not completely empty
There are still recipients of electricity... bottled water
I lazily turned my head...and see
The table occupied with stink leftovers

The floors are marked with the muddy footstep Meaning... a later tons of sweat Still groggy...I head towards the gate I "looked up" and see the soil...lush

I "looked down" the sky it's blue, miisalignment Wow upside down..and with the scorching heat The wine's angry spirit sadly left Yes. Yesterday was Christmas

In a little more time..i got to go and work
To recover what was lost in the celebration
One day millionaire...three months laborer......
Merry Christmas

# Claiming Religious

She wrote so soft as if an angel And as if she sang a hymn More so..she prayed to save others She knelt for hours

But the wolf is not new
So does the cloth she wore
But sadly....it's not good to judge
And we knew it well
But, for good sake

I hope she will scrape her mask Because her real face is protruding Ask me, how did I know Because I'm just a millimeter away

## Foolish Heartbeat

The day is gone leaving scattered emblems
Of once picturesque skies
A cool shadow, flickers of gold
Shimmering beauty captured in vast thoughts

I sit motionless dazed to the sheer wonder A perfect backdropp of my outspoken desire While my heart sings tireless rhythm My thought leaped a thousand miles

Faster than beams of relentless sun Trudging through the thick yet fading clouds Surging up powerful emotions To cheer the early night's gloomy disposition

Night is approaching
But my eyes can't easily give in
To the long night's departure
As countless words come so easily

I listened to your heartbeat from a thousand miles Heard your laughter every time you smile For in my deepest thoughts you linger... The very thirst of my soul to begin

# Her Email (To Honduras With Love Vii)

Darkness creeps into the bluest skies

And alas, there are your words

The very essence and purpose

Of my day is about to begin

Line upon precious line

Like swift and sensual

Breeze on a humid day

Like beams of powerful sun

Trudging to gray clouds

When rain has ceased

Like tiny droplets of luscious water

Soothing my tongue

When thirst is my craving

Such is your effect

And 'tis is my greatest joy

As I read your email

I can hear your heartbeat

From a thousand miles

Hear heavens open

Everytime you smile

Words pulsating through me

Like a river to the sea

Take my troubles away

Take away my grief

Take away my heartache

Like a thief of the night

Make me feel better

Makes me whole

Makes me mellow

Into my very soul

And my little hearfelt response

Ended with goodbyes

But behind those simple words

Are my ardent thoughts

Know that

To leave

Is to look forward

Of seeing you again

.....then i press SEND

# His Life

his life is like the dead tree shedding off leaves drying under the sun blown by the wind to all the directions of this earth

each leaf arrives to each destination putting on a new name disowning him

# I Dropped The Second Bomb In Hiroshima

Like a thirsty man trapped in the sanctuary of thoughts
I tread in the tranquility of Hiroshima's memorial of peace
There, I imbibe every frame of destruction
My innocence wandered to all corners faster than a child
But my matured heart weeps amidst the painful remains

As I peeped through delicate glass covered keepsake
My tears dropped and exploded in the dust
I breathe hard and more but my lungs refused
Now, I can only sigh...on the day it was
Hate and sufferings are only captured souvenirs

On top, the sun drenched dome
Where the twisted steel is keeping its word
But the shattered wall can't evade to display its pain
The wound and sufferings are all that glitters
In the tranquil Hiroshima's memorial of peace

The day I dared to disturb your serenity
I noticed myself getting heavier
And as tears go my sight went blurred
I think my heart had exploded!!!!
I guessed, I dropped the second bomb in Hiroshima

# I Get Wet Because Im Dry

It's cold and dark everywhere
The clouds kissed the mountains near
The hungry rivers are shouting and swelling
Help! The grassland is drowning

The dampen bird ceased to fly
An old horse prayed to calm the sky
In the other end, there's the disgusted mare
The frog's endless cry she claimed to beauty is bare

The angry thunder in heavens begun to roar But the lighting is quick and warned to moor To the overly drunk trees in the forest Hold tight the dampen bird to your chest!

The night falls but of no distinction
The day's sun is as dark as the midnight moon
But in the gloom, a circle of light appeared
It's from a hungry feline's eyes dazzled red

Hours, days, nights, weeks, birds, frogs, horse passed Oh dear, the torment has ultimately stopped The dampen birds found hope and start to hop The old horse hugs the mare and slashes the loop

Sadly, no singing frog welcomed the new day
Because the hungry cat ended his song instantly
And the mare slept well all that night
The next morning is a goodbye to the bird's faraway flight.

# I Miss You (To Honduras With Love V)

Almost as if in mourning I typed these words Quite not precisely like mourning Yet there is a deep sense of loss Where have you been my dearest The email that used to brighten My morning has ceased And with it has deepest thoughts For without the slightest word from you I am nothing I am a mere individual Scoping the earth's vastness With no direction And of course without joy I sit alone yet with everyone Wondering where you are Wondering if ever I will hear you again For in my deepest thoughts, you linger Almost etched and engraved in my memory Of course for countless revision I do miss your words Maybe you are busy Maybe you are tired But know one thing My days are now repetitions Of ongoing processes Simply of just to be alive However once was a pleasure Even the very thirst of my soul To begin a new day Reading what phenomenal things you see

Ayi Escalona

From your talented eyes

# In Poetry There Is No Poverty

there is no poverty in poetry: it is a rich world of flowers and magic, of images that imaginations create a warm sun the deep blue sea, some mysteries of words that come and seemingly carry with them a bountry of meanings

liberation, oblation, jubilation
expression
birds coming out from our mouths
butterflies from our
stomachs
fireworks from our minds
in multicolors
to the darkest skies
of this earth

where can poverty

be

in a world of freedom: to say what you want to say

to think what you want to think

to dream

to imagine

to find meanings where others think there are none?

the secret garden

a path

a gate

a hiding place for all of us who still believe

about life

and aftelife and life after life

temporary deaths and temporary losses

a jump a leap to the world beyond us to eternity we are meant this i think is poetry and surely there can never be

poverty

# **Judge Ting**

Clothed in glossy black
Armed with wooden hammer in hand
He climbs to the elevated counter
Overlooking fault and truth of yet to hear

When the dull sound of his hammer ruled
Arguments began to fill the space
There is then the trade of facts and avoidance
Artistically articulated by tuxedo wearing legal representatives

Plaintiff againts respondents defendants againts complainants Dios mio my friend Ric These legal terms are mesmerizing me

Because in my under grad
Polical Science is not much a subject for me
I got 3W in the midterm
But my beautiful teacher caught me
Staring at her beauty, so in finals I got 3.0..

Careful spectators, beware of opening your mouth
Put your cellphones in silent mode
Otherwise Judge Ric will put you in contempt
My good friend Ric disliked being bothered

My friend had already sent offenders to other town Fenced with steel especially ordered
To keep them stay until the sin is fully paid
Long live my friend, without your bravery...
There will be a disordered country

Yes...my friend is clothed in glossy black You see he is only armed with wooden hammer But watch out...there's 357 and caliber 45 in tucked As he climbs to the elevated counter Careful...his hands are not in wooden table

# Law Of Bouyancy

when the object is submerged in the liquid most probably it gets wet :)

# My Wish (To Honduras With Love Vi)

in these lonely summer nights
i occasionally place my bed
in the uppermost floor of my simple abode
it is directly underneath the skies
having only a hip-high structure
on each sides
to secure me when in deep slumber
there are no sheets of steel
no taller columns to block my sight
and with no ugly sounds to bother

and with me, is only my bold confidence to lay down and spend here the night in a bed directly beneath the star filled skies.... but as the lonely night grew deeper my environment resembled like a pool filled with chilly breeze, and my frozen thoughts wandered that night it start to count the distant the stars... oh yes, i'm pleased to see the sparkles but I mourned to witness when one, fall

the falling star, it plunged fast penning a semi-straight line of fire and for a second... it's spectacular!! and then it 's gone forever, it melted in the dark to nowhere, leaving... my wish...."to be with her" to hold her hand... forever even when my very own sparkles fade like falling star... and may it shine again in another skies..I hope..i hope

#### Not Just The Wine

my longing eyes are deeply staring at the lying empty bottles of wine and not so far away, is a misty glass in it, is a chunk of haply floating diamond melting fast, against the buoyancy of the unfriendly and acidic liquid

not far away too, is a virtual riverbed that extends between my drying throats down to the provocative and tempting glass gulp! gulp! in every lump of fluid that comes is a commotion to my system what had happened ....and look!

there are stars produced in the air but only my weary eyes could see, ohhh... did the skies came close? i could only wonder or the wine drifted close to my heart washing away sticky painful thoughts

but the glass is empty now the space is void of hope but the dawning sun caused my optimism to grow when the silver curtain breaks..... she came running with open arms

please...please.... please don't wake me yes....

I'm still dreaming

# One Day, Close To The Labor Room

I sit alone and yet with everyone Confined with two great thoughts

One: A baby so soon, and Two: the fees thereafter... Outside the labor room

My excitement never ceased to grow
I am so touched to hear numerous cries

Of women giving birth to a new life...

Push. push. a lady dress in white bellowed

And with every woman's ultimate shout

Is a newborn life

At last it was my little offspring's cry

To the world and to the bath tub

She said farewell to the fresh blood

Flowing from her body down the drain

Excitement...an old emotion is just fine

The technology is just great

Not to mention the delivery fees

Deadlier than giving birth

After few days, it's homeward bound

I forgot the fees I just borrowed

Because her warmth signified hope

## **Paradox**

life is a paradox..
what you WANT
you dont get
what you GET
you dont ENJOY
what you enjoy
is not PERMANENT
what's permanent
is BORING
That's LIFE......

from a text message, send by my friend Mario, the original source is not known...posted just for fun..and not intended to hurt the opposite sex

## Solitude

i dream building a nipa hut on the side of a hill under a big talisay tree and all i need is a shade a little space where i sit and then gaze around me and then close my eyes and lose myself inside the vast space of unconsciousness

and then tonight shall be the moon and myself there is no use of any word

in this solitude

# Song To My Beloved

O' damsel I caressed
Of sweet love i praised
the lass i sanctify
a goddess of my eye
her lips like marmalade
soft and sweet like bee's need

at dusk after a vivid day reflections of my beloved in mind stay and dream a deep slumber awake in thoughts that ember memories, memories, a motley clown o'er my head a golden clown

o' dearest why are thee when thoust away my mirth flee distress in heart prostrates that no maiden exhilarates then beneath the tedious moon flux of tears create a pale lagoon

# The Only Children

ha ha ha ha ha i knew you will criticize me because this is grammatically pity but please hear this little story

a great lovely couple
has an only son
so dear so loved
but what about the expectations

ohh...his name is Bernardo a very macho man but...what happen... unexpectedly she acted like a woman

my goodness Bernado by day, he is a man but by night, she is Bernadeth The only child....became..the only children

hahahahaha

# The Pen Is Mightier Than The Sword

If the fight happens to be inside a drum

# The Typhoon (6/20/08)

the sun's golden ray escaped faster than 4 o'clock the merry day were forced to become black but not so easy and compromised for gray

and gray becomes grayer then next to the escaping light is the sound of whirling wind the voice of terror sounded like furious cymbals stirring the tranquil abode

the tense trees danced like hell swaying in a painful rhythm the wondrous lyrics of the wind's chant is a mixture of fear and pain not only the trees can tell

from my simple abode
i listened to the wreckage
peeped outside from the clearer spot
of the blurred glass windows
the devastation outside is vast
horrendous foe that cant be matched

the dark day
the furious wind
the horizontal rain
he inundated streams
the falling hills
the treacherous waves

then....miraculously after days of fright and failed optimism the clear sky appeared the nature's cleansing work is over so dear...so costly nonetheless...we paid it with life

# Third World Enemies

haply i say
that the
enemies of these countries
are only three
namely;
breakfast
lunch
and
supper

# Those Days

Not much of a time to recall

When days were young

And nights are filled with dreams

In my innocent life...

It's difficult on where to start

My memories are filed in cluster

Yet, its vivid and clear, but

It's the sequence that worries me

Probably need a little work

And who cares

Only me..

I did not count the nights

But I love days to last

But in my little life, I woke up here...

There's always my mother

I walked holding my mom's hand

It was the ultimate safety I ever thought

But when my limbs get stronger

The world means play...

My running is endless.

Chasing other people of my age

This is the best thing beauty has ever produced

Not just my childish opinion

Running..

It's amazing to bathe in sweat

And my mother needs to capture me

Just to change my clothing

I slept with cat on top of my breast

I guess I was that naughty

Or just a superb child

Because I outrun Tresa..my fierce dog

Fierce because she bites more than a dozen

On the call of her duty...

Anyway...the days after

Are censored stories

But I can only say

It's a lot of fun growing

Yet there's a lot pain knowing life

We are here...simply breathing

To keep one's self alive

#### To Honduras With Love

How could I conquer the loneliness of night
When every spark of burning thoughts is pain
And this heart pumped tears and not blood
Shall I keep on weeping and wait for the wound to heal
Or simply kiss goodbye the footprints of yesteryears.

How could I listen to her laughter
When her echoing joy fades in the distance
Will I survive every brutal slash of silence
Shall I run like crazy and barked at the moon
Or catch the stars and play with the night

How could I see her face
When a wonderful smile is carved
Shall I stare at the sun and endure the blinding heat
Or let the lighting rip the skies
And beg the thunder to yell my longing

How could i smell the scent of her whisper
When every breath i take is stolen by space
......and.....how could I kiss her when im still awake
Dreams.....come.....and fly me to her distant shores
To the land that embraced her tenderness
To Honduras with love.....te amo

# To Honduras With Love (Part Ii)

There are times when life

Is a question mark

A complex jigsaw puzzle

Scattered over the endless

Inquiries of my mind

I've often stood alone

Juggling my thoughts

Trying to decide on the

Absurdity and notion

The senseless and the sanity

The strangeness and yet

The reality of innocent vision......

Between our islands

The sea.... lurks

Like a ghastly storm

Wrapped in the obscurity of my thoughts...

Let the chilly breeze

Take your sweet fragrance

And touch these shores

To run freely forever

When the sun's ray

Kissed the hazy morning

And the dangling clouds ruptured

When waves depart

And my soul will mourn

When the wind is upset

And rays paint the dusk...

My heart weaves wonderful thoughts

Because you are several colors

Of the rainbow...my life...

## To Honduras With Love (Part Iii)

The day is yet another blessing In my simple life and with it The joy of having thoughts from you Is everything beauty has ever produced Yet much more I smile with sheer delight As I open my eyes to the beckoning sun Because I know there's your email My source of utter and immense joy The task of having to prepare for the day Seem so mere compared to the thoughts That I have carefully collect When I email you my dearest Today words flow from My inner sanction, not quite as freely As past times, it might be because I am so tired that just to keep my eye-lids From slipping and giving into sweet slumber Is causing me a great turmoil But also might be that this time I can no longer see you..... At this very moment of my life You have left me speechless I have racked my brain searching for the place Where I store precious thoughts of you Yet to my dismay I cannot find them Maybe it is because they have taken a detour To where I know they will be safe Deep in the safety of my warm heart And words could not do justice To what make you feel And what great joy you bring to me But know that it is more simple words That I type for you this very day..... I sit in the awe of you The picture that you gave me To see your face bring me That extra bit closer to you And my wish that maybe I could be again In the presence of such an astonishing woman

Maybe just to touch once more your hands
In which all my thoughts run
Smoothly and wonderfully
Across the distance of a thousand miles
Today, I thank god, for he has blessed me
With so much more that I am worthy of
And you are surely my greatest blessing
I leave you now yet only for a short while
To hear from you again is still and will forever
Be my greatest treasured happiness
In whatever you do know that I am here
And sweet, warm thoughts of you are with me

# To Honduras With Love (Part Iv)

The weekend has come and gone Like a torrent of repeated events That once seemed to envelop Wonderful events that only The weekend could bring Not to mention the rest period From the hectic and cruel week But as I sit here, I feel so very glad Ecstatic in fact, for I know This is just a beginning of another week That I can wonderfully spend Sharing your thoughts... How have you been my dearest? I sit here, the warmth and beauty of day Beacons me to enjoy it But I sit here stunned and astonished Just having read your old emails And this joy is complete for one day I shall not occupy any more of your time I hope that you are enjoying your work I assume you are there and if not Know that I am on the other side of the world Thinking of you so fondly Praying that no harm come to someone So heart warming and so perfect In whatever you do Take care and know that I care

## To Much Sun

With the evacuation of darkness Comes the lovely sunrays Creeping slow like fierce beast Devouring shadows last night left

The burning heat is of no respect To my pity back, it tried to melt The scorching heat of no fun Yes, it gives life to keep us run

Run to the rainbow of dreams
See the color of painted sunbeams
The scorching sun, the hurt thought
Burned skin, the need of endless soothe

To much sun, to much fear Hot summer, frigid winter What marriage they may bring When the seasons are just fling

# Why Work

After months of tedious Boring, heavy, tiresome Atrocious, appalling, nude Light, offensive and etc. work The next best thing to happen Is receiving the pay It's good and who will argue But before the pay Landed into our sad and starving wallets It undergoes a myriad of colorful Miserable and inevitable circumstance These sad things man himself invented The deductions unlimited... **Deduct Deduct Deduct** Personal Income Tax, Medical Dental Retirement Tax, Property Tax Professional Tax, Business Tax Thumb Tucks, Tax....whewww!!! And after the first screening The second follows... The Loans, Salary Loan Policy Loan, Emergency Loan Calamity Loan, Insurance. At last, the grain Is so fine Here comes the hard earned money The Take Home Pay And whose waiting... Electric Bills, Water Bills, Cable Bills, Telephone Bills So....I drink cheap wine too...and ignore the erotic pie