

## Pantoum for Blue in Texas Before I Die

*on my 60<sup>th</sup>*

Dreaming of a blue winter solstice, bright as blue snow,  
blue baby blue, shimmering disco lights, blue rainbow  
light as a cat's meow, bluesy jazz, blue elephant ears,  
bubbling cheers, sapphire showers, plumeria flowers,

blue disco ball dances, cat's pajamas, blue silk top hats  
and blue suede wingtips *tripping the light fantastic toe*  
tapping through bubbling cheers, sapphire showers, plumeria  
flowers cresting our fears, trumpeting meadows of blue

bonnets *tripping the light fantastic toe*, showering jacaranda  
blue over hills, dales, and pearls of light flowing in valleys  
and alleys of blue baritone cresting our fears, trumpeting  
jacaranda blue meadows, rainbows, gardens with blue fairies

and their blue bonnets over the seas, hills, dales, and pearls  
shimmering snowflakes over the gently tilted earth orbiting  
with me and you, the cat's meow, holding fast in the gardens  
we will sow again together in the coming of the light, bright

shimmering snowflakes over the gently tilted earth, an orbiting  
disco ball and bluesy jazz, elephant ears, bubbling cheers, sapphire  
showers, plumeria flowers, and our dancing blue fairy hearts  
in the midnight blue hour, bright as our birth light and sun star.