

# Ginkgo Seed-Stomp Stench

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Presented by

*My poetic Side* 

## Dedication

*In memory of William 'Hoosier Bill' Sovern*

*death emits strange light*

*that shadow doesn't suit you*

*must adjust skewed view*

*refocus revive revise*

*contemplate your afterglow*

## summary

RIDICULOUSNESS

SQIGGLED TRACING

LIFEBLOOD

OUTGUNNED

Grand Re-Opening of Al Capone's Vault

BALLOONED THOUGHT BUBBLES

DESTASH

MADDENING

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SEASONED & TOPICAL

ULTRAVIOLENT DROOG DIRGE

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

UNDERCOVERS SQUISH

FRUIT BY THE FOOT FALL

SQUARED CIRCLE STOMP

CHOKE (HOLD): STAGE STOMP

## RIDICULOUSNESS

Random acts of polar-plunge chilliness  
Insert terse inappropriate curse word  
Dunk-the-Dummy and other silliness  
Intelligent life devolved to absurd  
Childish banter and babble overheard  
Unkind words spewed with acidity  
Lines of lucidity/ lunacy blurred  
Outrageous claims with no validity  
Unopened hearts and minds: rigidity  
Society growing fat and lazy  
Near point-of-no-return stupidity  
Exiting-over-borderline-crazy  
Swiftly sinking, sea-of-insanity  
Skeptical. Oh! the inhumanity...

## SQIGGLED TRACING

arthritic outstretch:

template to trace old turkey

bent finger-feathers

## LIFEBLOOD

Lapsing into jellied nothingness

Irritating                    lacerations

Free-flowing un-clotted cut(s)

Evacuated                    veins

Beating hearts bludgeoned

Licking            our wounds

Our breath left

Out-right

Death

## OUTGUNNED

Overstated barrel length, width-

Understated arsenal depth

Trigger fingers fidgeting

Glared stares at ten paces

Under- fire- powered

Noon-high deadline

Nervously

Ends in

Draw

## Grand Re-Opening of Al Capone's Vault

the ambiance here is duller than tombs:  
Grand Re-Opening of Al Capone's vault  
with the sad hollowness of barren wombs  
no televised coverage, (not my fault)

more than financial matters in default  
(the audience is not paying attention)

full frontal attack/ internal assault  
opening portal/ different dimension

reveal contents with great apprehension  
rural and urban legends to debunk  
booby traps, (treasure maps failed to mention)

this vault is empty, save for random junk-  
no treasures here, (unless deeply buried)  
seal this empty vault. Emotion carried...



## BALLOONED THOUGHT BUBBLES

lost sage words take wing  
alien debris floating  
shot down by the man  
government ground-to-sky gun  
bureaucratic bazookas

## DESTASH

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pareidolia:

nature/ mind geometry

( attempts to make sense )

Stedman's ink-blot visages

Rorschach's graphic novelty

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DESTASH poetry:

sharing unused love language

decluttering mind

dumping dusty dialogue

metaphors that make no sense

## MADDENING

Mouths of vipers

flick judgemental tongue

Acid bath of acrid spittle

Damning words spew as venom

Deep breaths of putrid air

Erode lung lining

No filter/ mask

Inhaling

Noxious

Gas

## YEARN

youthful giddiness

excitable gut flutter

awkward gaping awe

reviving dormant geyser

nature takes natural course

## SEASONED & TOPICAL

not mended from fall

bipolar oppressive plunge

north winded breath stroke

## ULTRAVIOLENT DROOG DIRGE

timeclock in-and-out  
eyeball cufflink dims,  
rotten oranges  
Beethoven 9, D Minor  
coroner removes codpiece

## CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

flash fiction memoir

(claim 'self edit' liberty)

turn of phrase and phase

bravado between covers

back-hand justification

## UNDERCOVERS SQUISH

lie with me in verse  
appease puckish tendencies  
inkblot-stain white sheets

awake to romp barefoot fields  
write of our grand adventures



## FRUIT BY THE FOOT FALL

low-hanging fall fruit

breath/ hair/ calendar thinning

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## SQUARED CIRCLE STOMP

rock-em' sock-em' ring  
robotic uppercut swing  
slinky-headed sting

thumb-flex-fatigue shows  
plastic fisted punch in nose  
cold below-belt-blows

jaw of tempered glass  
fine hairline cracks visible  
just ring the damned bell

## **CHOKER (HOLD): STAGE STOMP**

Crushed windpipe whispers  
Have OH! so much more to say...  
Oxygen envy  
Knockout-punched-poet silenced  
Exits stage, no ovation