Shedding

i wriggle into
a paper-mache cocoon
i melt my skin i taste
roaches making highways of
childhood everyone cries in
depression my face
my ego tattoos the name
my skin is known for

god i'll craft myself
a blessing before the ritual
of nothing the ball pit hides
my skin i love vacations in
my head i'm dressed for
a new year of clown school
stupid inside me this brand
this boa constrictor identity

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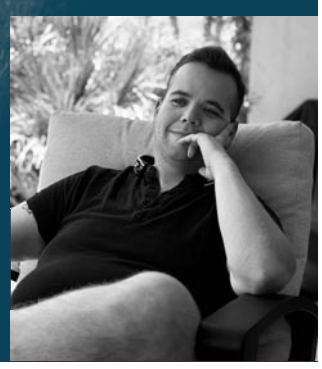

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