Ideal

To be special,

To be the One Star,

Around which all revolves.

To have that one being

That needs to revolve,

That one who looks

And sees the glow

Of the star,

Takes its energy

And holds it close.

To know that we are special,

A star to another star,

One who needs the

warmth of the blue-hot

hub

that is within us.

If there is one

For whom I can be that radiance,

Let me be at least a nova,

Who ignites and fills the sky

With transcendent light.

All sights, sounds, odors, feelings,

All life, all history, all universe,

Expanding, contracting, exploding,

Into a million trillion bits of glory

Before cooling down.

For any burst of heat

That will be remembered

Is better

Than no love at all.

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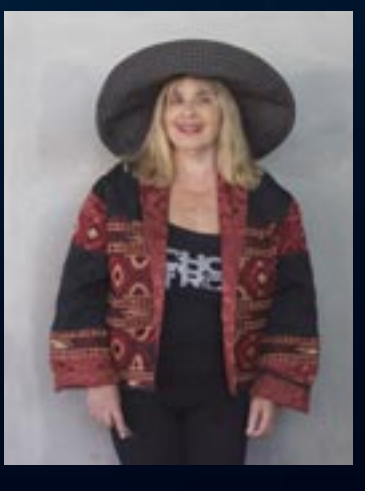

Lynne Bronstein recently reshuffled the books on her poetry shelf and realized that books containing her poems stretch from almost the left to almost the right of the shelf. In other words, she's been published a lot. The list includes Lummox, poeticdiversity, Spectrum, Chiron Review, Caffeine, OnTarget, California State Poetry Quarterly, Beyond Baroque, Playgirl, The Art of Being Human, and numerous anthologies. Her short fiction has been read on National Public Radio and published in magazines and anthologies, including the Sisters in Crime collection LAst Resort. She's been nominated for two Pushcart Prizes and four Best of the Net awards and won two awards for broadcast journalism from a local cable outlet. And then there are the literally hundreds of news stories and music and art writing she has done over the years for The Los Angeles Times, LA Weekly, Culver City Observer, Music Connection, and more. She's taught writing to kids at 826LA and for the city of Arcadia and was honored by the city and county of Los Angeles for her mentoring work with adults. Her newest publication is an e-book of poetry, Nasty Girls, (Four Feathers Publishing). She lives in the San Fernando Valley with two other poets and three wonderful cats.

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