

faltering creation self-actualization

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Fabricating myself
in layers between,
Feeding you into the machine.

Velvet-soft, pin-sharp
you defy my insistent fingers.
Slippery satin and chiffon
drift out of reach like inspiration

Create myself and pick up the shears
Cut with kindness
through fabric and fears

You let me press you together
Poke you with pins
Stitch by stitch I revitalize
And now the test begins

Slide over my shoulders, skin, soul:
Sew me together and
make me whole.