



art

artists work at sharing their Mind  
practice perseverance, refine their gifts into excellence  
music, dance, film, language, painting, sculpture, theatre...  
all give expression to forms in our imaginary  
present visions of the beautiful, invoke wonder  
the meaning of an artistic creation is in motion  
measureless, open, different for everyone, each time

art inevitably appears within a cultural context, a political reality  
artists may deny that art serves a purpose  
or they may believe that art is like reason  
it can serve for either good or evil  
the Nazi party employed art and artists  
as do twenty-first century public relations firms  
art taps into deep strata of our being  
so has a power to influence and persuade  
advertisers depend on art to sell their products

true art, like true love, endures  
artists may produce more than a momentary escape  
more than a distraction, a fantasy  
more than any thing a consumer could ever treasure  
artists can wake us to our possibility  
brings us closer to free  
helps us understand ourselves

artists dive deep into the Great River of the Unconscious  
emerge and invite us to think  
offer pathways to heal our fractured Selves  
like the flowers, Earth, every Life form  
we are all artists  
we decorate our Lives inside and out  
for and with One Another