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Does Death await me  
or, simply,  
am I awaiting Death?  
Unceasing darkness  
of a life cut at youth  
seems to haunt me.  
Is it fate though,  
or simply my desire?  
Weights of slumber  
pull me into constant comas  
through the shine of both sun and stars.  
But is this a heaviness of physicality  
or, rather, the deterioration of my mind?  
My mind must be going insane because  
no physical sickness holds me down.  
So, through the dusk of both sun and stars,  
I am pulled into constant comas  
by weights of slumber,  
simply by my desire,  
not by fate.  
Yes, I am haunted  
to cut my life at youth  
from unceasing darkness  
for I am awaiting Death,  
but, surely,  
Death doesn't await me.

## About Madelynne Deshler

I am from Woodbury, MN, so my life growing up strongly revolved around adventures in the Twin Cities. During those years I fell in love with traveling, photography, history, and the art of writing. In the fall of 2017 I began to attend UND. During this time I received the Robert J. Hagen Memorial Scholarship for journalism, and by spring of 2020 I will receive a B.A. in

Communication with a certificate in Writing and Editing. From there, the plan is to simply explore the world and write about those experiences.