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Noise in her Mind

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I know her so well she came long ago to visit my being
we share beauty and bedlam boudoir and kindest of spirits

She walks like a cat woman hears like a bat feeds birds
quietly she soothes thunder's volcano howls with the wolves

Klimt's Kiss Vermeer's Girl With Pearl Earring Botticelli's Venus Degas's
Dancer In Repose Fedro's Much Better With Age she
absorbs pastel and paint strokes symphonies on canvas
so many facets big bangs and roaring giggling convulsions

Sometimes Woman Laughing from Goya's dark paintings
a Broken Column like Kahlo's when some Munch's *Scream*
invades and infests silence deep inside her beautiful skull

Voices shout from profuse directions focus condense and
refract confront tease torment disagree and interfere with
calm serene serenades when a few notes tender chords
and accord vanish into cacophonies misleading the song

I know her so well admire her resilience and how she copes
with the noise the disruption and the ballet of so many
different views pandemonious clangour onslaught of turmoil
as she appears calm on the surface orchestrates quiet composure

How she holds it all together I cannot really fathom with all that
jumbling distance so close and yet so far from my innocent mind

My Venus Of Milo has taught me so much most of it all and over
above that imperfection is a wonderful gift and very complete

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