

On the Bar

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Sitting where
My hands,
holding a glass.
In this glass Lens
I saw you once,
My hands dancing at your presence,
Thousands and I don't know how many styles
And touches
On my organism partner.
See my fist hugging the glass
Its cry-face
Crunched;
I drink the tears
Cheers!

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