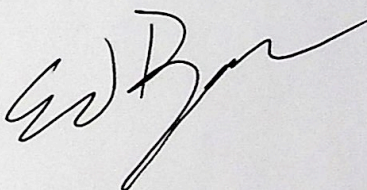


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Poems by

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ed Baker', written in a cursive style.

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Wild Orchid

opening
another gate
only this flower

only
one
way
to
look
at
orchid

Look!



blowing
and
blowing

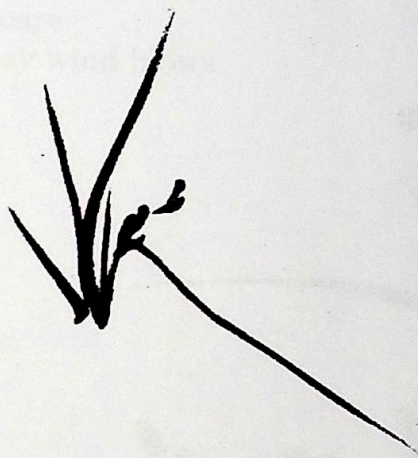
approaching
some
FLOWER!





ancidium
depends
on
root—

red orchid
embracing
first chill



passing
wild
flower

only
moon

Wild orchid
doesn't care
which way wind blows



sudden gust
disturbing
wild orchid

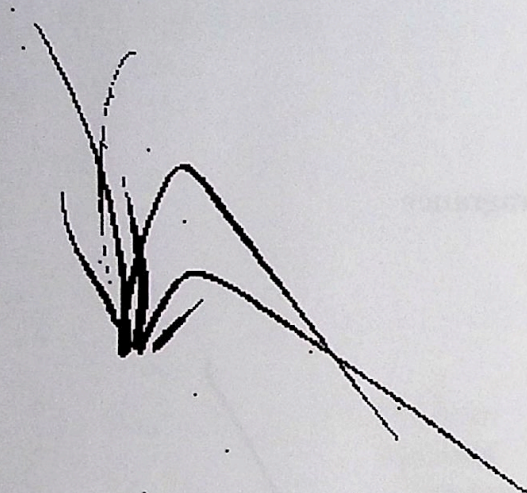
on her hem
opening
spontaneously

tip
of
brush
dipping
into

black
flower

everywhere its fragrance





wild orchid
in the open
its equanimity

wild orchid
giving
all this



attached
to
rock
yellow
orchid

sound of voices
in the grass
some orchid

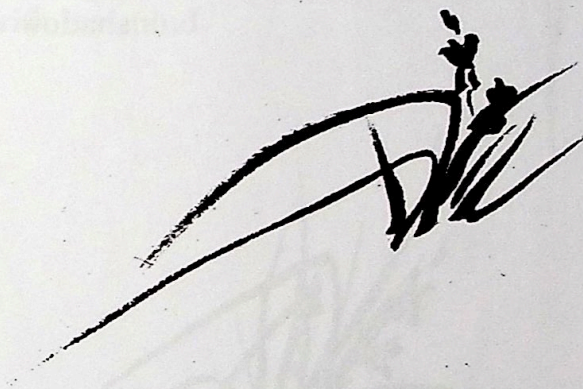
sudden
what of
its fragrance

some flower in this wild poem

some orchid!
adds nothing
subtracts nothing

far beyond
orchid
its wildness

wild orchid
blowing
on rice paper



wild orchid
vibrating
shadow on the snow

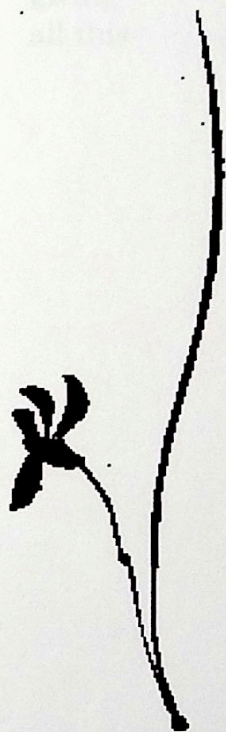


wild orchid
meddling
with my mind



I like it best with wine and rain
and no one comes – fire in stove
wild orchid! blowing on rice paper

–Ikkyu's



pink
flower

open
ing

a
responsibility

where

sound

goes

orchid

also



some orchid
giving
all this



wild orchid
don't think
just do



wild orchid

bowing

this way



only
one
orchid

stirring



dark clouds
in her hair
white orchid

seen in this light
not so easy
keeping mouth shut

red flower
red moon
no finesse

orchid
its whole life
on rice paper



