

## Serpent's Tail

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**there's no going back**



when the mystic serpent  
injects its venom/soma  
into the centre of your brain  
opposing left and right hemispheres  
synchronise and begin to pulse  
in harmonic rhythm

joy overwhelms spirit  
and floods being  
with delight;  
the radiant sun's glory  
fades before the brilliance  
of this vision

the firmament with its studded  
array is shamed  
by shafts of shooting light  
issuing from a crystal skull

drear no more  
eyes once exposed  
to the ineffable beauty  
of this landscape see only  
perfection

the diamond-mind transformed  
cannot return to its carbon past --  
the world shudders in delight  
and trembles in ecstasy;

there is no going back  
to a world of shadows and  
the thick fog of ignorance

but seizing a serpent by its tail  
requires practice and a rare skill

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