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Poetic Black Fusion  
By Poet Blackman Preach  
BC Spoken Word Columnist  
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**Uneven**

I lost my footing

stumbling—

I went through the floor

like a man who losses all—

no family

no money  
 no friends to lean on  
 he will be a lost complexion  
 depression elevating.  
 I can't understand what the elders are  
 trying to get across to me  
 because as distant my mind is  
 my eyes were listening  
 but my ears could not see what they were saying.  
 I looked to the stars for balance  
 but there was no comfort  
 because they—too—were uneven.

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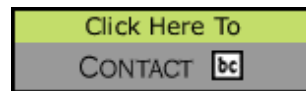
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