



SURREAL POETICS

The resolution of dream and reality into a kind of absolute reality
... a surreality. (Andre Breton, Manifesto of Surrealism, 1924)

In poetry, an image must . . .

open doors.

~ Toti O'Brien

"EVIL AND GOOD, 1"

Good and bad are twins brothers
lost & found on a see-saw.
A crossroad with no signs.
The abandoned barn
where you spend the night.

Candle is unlit on the table.
A full basket of eggs
some light pink some blue.
Bed is made with white sheets
and dark blankets.

In the distance
a bell strikes the hour.
You hear
but you cannot count.

~ ABOUT THE POET ~

Toti O'Brien was born in Rome and lives in Los Angeles. "Poetic intuition" is a short cut—smashing images and words against feelings and memories—in spite of logic fears.