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## **I Will Teach You to Write Poetry**

Live an interesting life.  
Think interesting thoughts.  
Understand colors.  
There are 1,614 colors.  
I know computers speak about  
millions of colors,  
but that is computers speaking,  
not your eye nor my eye.  
Then, understand that colors live  
in my thoughts, in your thoughts  
in our eyes.

If you would write good poetry,  
watching television is a definite no.  
Oh, you can watch television  
and write poetry  
but you will have lost  
important nuances  
of observation and expression.

Love.  
Love well.  
Love something  
bigger than yourself.  
Love what motivates you  
through this universe.

Realize  
these instructions  
are notes along our way,  
reminders.  
I can't teach you.  
You can't learn.

Poems are in your thought,  
in the way you perceive the universe.

As you open

to the universe,  
you begin to find  
your poems,  
you will begin  
to recognize the perfection  
that already and always is,  
that gives you  
your poems.