

Adios, Trumplandia!



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“[B]ut nobody’s dealing with the real issue with this fucking clown as president, and the shit that we dealing with out here...”

Snoop Dogg, on “Lavender”
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NB: Poems 1, 4, 7-12, and 14 are **hay(na)ku**, a poetic form created by Filipino American poet Eileen Tabios.

Trumplandia

poor
black brown
female old young

transgender
infirm depressed
undocumented disabled disenfranchised

a.k.a
other: you
don't matter now

suck
it up
SUCK IT UP

Acronym Poem

MoW

PBS

NPS

NPR

NEA

NIH

NEH

EPA

ACA,

RIP.

DJT

XOXO

Kwansaba: Trojan Horse

"If I had a bowl of skittles and I told you just three would kill you, would you take a handful? That's our Syrian refugee problem...Let's end the politically correct agenda that doesn't put America first."

Donald J. Trump, Jr.

*Scary Skittles, refugees,
America first! And so
we let in the Trojan Horse.
The laugh's on us gullible
Americans, isn't it?
People aren't candy, and
your father's killing us, Don.*

*Surely and swiftly he guts
healthcare, the arts, Meals on Wheels,
education, women's rights,
the American dream. But
you sleep easy, knowing that
you helped keep America
safe for your family's plunder.*

Ivanka's Brand

White
girl neoliberal
feminism really sells.

For Senator Steve King and Friends

No reason to hide
your feelings, Republicans.
Here's your Klan outfit--

all starched
white and stiff
just the way
you like it.

Kwansaba: Espionage

If there's anyone in this administration who DID NOT meet the Russians or act as a foreign agent please raise your hand. We have a brand new microwave for you. Kellyanne has the details.

From Kellyanne's Microwave

Kellyanne,
your Hot
Pocket is done.

Barack
says, "Careful,
now. It's hot."

From Trump's Microwave

Stop
trying to
speak to Barack

every
time you
open my door!

From Paul Ryan's Microwave

I'm
not broken,
Paul. You're right,

your
tea is
scorching. I'm trying

to
burn off
your forked tongue.

Good
thing you
have healthcare, no?

From Angela Merkel's Microwave

No,
Donald, Barack
Isn't spying here.

Why
are you
obsessed with him?!

Von Angela Merkels Mikrowelle
trans. by Bob Tinsman

Nein,
Donald. Obama
spioniert hier nicht.

Warum
bist du
von ihm besessen?!

Racial Monopoly

There's
no "right
kind of brown"

in
Trumplandia, fools.
No "Passing" allowed.

No
Get Out
of Jail Free.

No
Parking. Do
Not Pass Go.

Do
Not Collect
Two Hundred Dollars.

White
supremacy rules
standard, you know.

Song: Never Gonna

Up-tempo ballad in B-flat

1. I'm never gonna be
your right kind of brown
never gonna care
what you throw down

Chorus

Not my president
Never my president
Forever and ever
not my president.

2. I'm never gonna strive
to be your kind
of cruel, greedy
and wicked mind

3. I'm never gonna praise
the shit you say
you make it all up
every damn day

4. I'll never be a pussy
that you'll grab
just try it and weep
at your hospital tab

5. I'm never gonna let you
forget what you do
all this bad karma
comes back to fuck with you.

On Radical Love and Revolution

take
away our
signs and bullhorns

we
will never
ever give up

like
dammed water
we pool then

burst
destroying everything
in our path

creating
 new geographies
 in our wake

Humpty Drumpfty II

The noose tightens
the trap snaps tight
see the liars run
no shelter in sight

Humpty Drumpfty pranced on the wall
Humpty Drumpfty had a great fall
But all Bannon's orders
And Kellyanne's facts
Couldn't fix Humpty Drumpfty's collusive cracks.

Take the key
and lock them up
lock them up
lock them up
 Did you learn anything, Amerikka?

Ding dong dell
They're all down the well
Who put them there?
The people, motherfuckers--
And don't you forget.

Artist Statement

I was born and educated in Pennsylvania; my parents were emigrants from the Philippines. Growing up brown in a predominantly white steel town has shaped me in ways I'm constantly exploring in my writing. I identify primarily as a feminist of color. Professionally I teach and write about critical race theory, girlhood and monsters. I'm also a classically-trained mezzo-soprano who dreams of singing in a funk band, an Aquarian, and a mother of two. I drink hard liquor and love Hello Kitty.

I believe, as did the ancients, that a poem can change the world.

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