

## Bop

### The Gaping Black Hole

Star orbiting rim of a black hole.  
more hesitant than a shot-gun groom of future  
gyrating with galactic debris  
hissing like an oroborus  
pulsating light toward swirling darkness  
drawn toward the event horizon.

The twinkling star will blink out.

The cosmos controls the stars destiny?  
Collisions sent the star on this trajectory?  
Any free will among the stars?  
Our technology can't blast it out of range.  
Not guided like our space explorations.  
The star sucked a by cosmic vacuum cleaner  
loses energy to resist. Dark energy? Dark matter?  
The star is beyond our ability to release.

The twinkling star will blink out.

A hot, lifeless star might be lead to end its cycle  
in the maw of a dark, quenching black hole.  
A star at the edge of turbulence,  
at the brim of existence splitting its whole  
might not have a cosmic choice but to go--  
gobbled by the voracious black hole.

The twinkling star will blink out.

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3 stanzas

Each stanza is followed by a refrain.

First stanza is 6 lines long and presents a problem.

Second stanza is 8 lines long and explores or expands the problem.

Third stanza is 6 lines long either presents a solution or documents the attempt to resolve the problem.

No rhyme scheme. No syllable count.