

## the shamans

some differ  
from the rest  
by their capacity  
for dreaming  
by a  
special  
inclination  
towards  
the mystic  
and miraculous  
with flaming imagination  
and a keen understanding  
of the forces  
at play  
they feel  
the moon's weight  
as she pulls at the sea  
moving with the waters  
while others wait  
they borrow light  
from the sun  
mingle with deities  
cure with whispers  
and prophecy  
by smoke  
and arrows  
they poke at  
the limits  
pushing beyond  
the tug of gravity  
contained in the mind  
often exiled  
from the  
community  
their goal:  
to cure  
the village  
of jealousy and envy  
and deliverance  
of the soul