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I was born  
swaddled in a leather jacket,  
eyes blackened,  
fists raised in the one-finger salute.

Ma cringed,  
the sweat beading 'round  
her forehead like the rosary  
she kneaded 'neath her neck.

Dad smiled  
or maybe scowled.  
Either way I felt proud  
for cracking the stone of his face.

Years later  
not much has changed.



“Color the City”

Amanda Marchese