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**Cover Page Footnote**

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- XI. Mischievous perpetrators  
Scamper away in a frenzy  
While goop runs down  
Side-paneling.
- XII. R o l l i n g off the table,  
Until **SPLAT**.

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### AMSTERDAM

I sit on yellow chairs,  
in a yellow room.  
I take in the smoke slowly,  
and watch my exhales circle the air.

My mind is pulling me back,  
relaxing my body.  
My soul is sitting next to me,  
helping me finish my peace.

Suddenly the Van Gogh makes sense,  
images become reality.  
The yellow walls turn into a multicolored world  
filled with the pleasant aroma of the plant.

Down the steps to the lava lamps,  
to the beanbag chairs.  
The plush carpet that seems to take off my sandals  
and massages the soles of my feet.

I make my way to the street level to hear the sounds,  
the sounds of life, the sounds of experience.  
The night has just begun.