

Pandora's TV by John Elkerr 3.5" x 4.5" Media ink and collage on paper

## **EMILY'S ROOM**

my heart is a slaughterhouse a fever-walled room encysted with parapets and crazed monkeys leap and poop down bearded vines. in crowd the conventions curl-tailed to Mantovani candlelight strings. the turnstile cranks Step right in, say the soft electric clampers. pump the charge and light the spasms that founder the beast. foot the loop and up swings the jugular spout, the smiling murder I call a line.

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