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Drew Gardner is a poet and musician living in New York City. His work has appeared in Poetry, the Nation, Postmodern American Poetry: A Norton Anthology, and elsewhere. His poetry books include Defender, Chomp Away, Petroleum Hat, and Sugar Pill.

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