

## **Asia – Michele Matta**

Caught in the mist of literature class  
Talking about stories of other lands  
A quest for unknown territory

Picking you by chance  
You, eastern land  
You, hosting 49 countries  
You, divided into 6 cultures  
You, curry, spice, sushi, hummus, vodka, and rice  
You, accommodating walls and mountain pikes  
You, mentioned only in Greek poetry  
You, daughter of Tethys and Ocean  
You, source of endless information  
You, Asia, curse cast on me.