

A photograph of a brick fireplace mantel. On the left, a large, light-colored sculpture of a lion's head is mounted on the wall. To the right of the lion's head, a small, green, prickly pear cactus is placed on the mantel. The background is a red brick wall. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

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*reflections of a somewhere else
fall into my basement thoughts
like mothballed sweaters
saved and tossed
into the dregs of somewhere else –*

*everything i threw into
the annals of my yesterdays
are cancelled now
and rearranged
till nothing is recalled the same –*

*it is as if a strange mirage
gathers up my memories
and every time i pull them out
the images
distort and shift –*

*till all my backwards fumbling
though silhouettes of once-upon
throws shadows
on the clarity
of everything i see today.*

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