

Spicy Killer

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a copy change based on "Good Hotdogs" by Sandra Cisneros

Sakura's sushi bar
a silent temple
patrons gather
practice the religion
5 of rice and hamachi
seaweed and unagi
narrow marble bar
small plates
glass vase
10 pink flower
folded napkins
like beds
for smooth dark
chopsticks

15 silent chef
red hat high on head
smart fingers
sculpt sticky rice
onto a bamboo canvas
20 for his masterpiece

shiny knife flashes through
thin sheets of salmon
sunset orange
smoky scent of black pepper
25 dense softness of avocado
tiny spheres
fish eggs
chef rolls the wooden bed
long cylinder of sushi
30 *slice slice slice*
squat towers
rice houses
a tiny flavorhood
each bite
35 dense rice
pepper
spice
chili sauce
snarl of wasabi tobiko
40 angry little pearls of heat
burst like firecrackers
on the tongue