




POETRY IN MOTION

Mosaic artwork from 149th Street subway station by José Ortega for MTA Arts for Transit

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Janet Ward

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Poetry in Motion
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selected by Nikki Giovanni

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there are some, unafraid to show
how life has beaten them up,
or down:

they sit on the street
head in hands
or stare, anesthetized
into dumbfounding space, crowds,
rain.

others
choose familiar artifice
and carry their defeat
like money
they don't have to spend
yet.

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