

ART IN MEDICINE

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They don't dance
even as the old fat
Elvis begins to sing "My Way"
from a corner

They talk (but don't)
about death
her lips close to his
her breath a whisper of the bleak future

All she mentions
(although in position for a grind)
is the kind of tumor and the biopsy
and does he want one

He wants to stand
hip-hugging close in a slow
gyration of words
bone to bone swaying

But she leaves the floor
to get results
her way

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