Meditation

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just down wind from
the Windan Bridge
a family of five
dolphins compete
with pelicans all acluster
& necks of cormorants
jostle feed

on the bridge
a shadow
captures Canon-like pistol shot
censors slides to send back home
mirage of picture, sun, sky
as moonlight
filters water dew
on Swan

an ibis
folds one leg
supervises from reeds
comforts of home

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