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## Stalactite

Adin Ljuca

To attain that beauty – you must be patient, like  
a stalactite. To drip and wait. And fulfill no one's  
expectations. Sparingly drip to completion the words that  
have poured over from a world that no longer exists into  
a body that is no longer the one consigned to you once.  
If they discover you, or if you open up to them, your end  
awaits you. Until then – only quiet underground work and  
patience. Only darkness, and the silence of dripping.

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