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I Want Something Other Than Time

Across a series of sixty-four poems, each titled with the eponymous refrain, *I Want Something Other Than Time* worries the problem of self-identicality—the distance between the self and the self that recognizes the self—into the socio-political sphere as a problem of temporality, as the work of our shared subjects in perceiving and projecting pasts, futures, presents.

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