## Poem for Poetry Workshop, 2006, Defining oneself

I am Judith the Jewess
Adrift from Yahweh
But still colored by Abraham s brush.
I am the drip of water on rock
Incessant, persistent
Patiently hollowing the rock beneath.
I am a small wildflower.
I am Michelangelo s Slave
Struggling to escape the amorphous rock
And be freely me.