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Expressions
Faces of Oppression

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Contempt when “minoritized” groups attempt to advocate freedom from oppression

Imposed socio-cultural pathologies in order to pity the oppressed with contempt and cover up dominant inferiority complexes

We are not here to feed your insecurities
Looking for a gait so easily bent
Angered because we do not walk with a limp
A smile to hide a lost cosmology
Mind, body, and soul disconnected
Fear that the unassimilated, racialized *Other* will move from the periphery to the center
Share equality, equity, and space
Holding on to the illusion that humanity can be separated by race
The defeat of imperialism would hopefully bring about a more just redistribution of resources and wealth

Will privileged freedom fighters willingly disown their material comfort in protest of an unjust world?

Is there trust in the Oppressed People’s abilities, dreams, and aspirations?

Or is there fear that the oppressed, once oppression is lifted, will replicate precisely the oppression inflicted by means of dominance?

Who will pay for our past and present injustices?
Oppression – the most costly social arrangement

Yet, privileges are the most widely preserved

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