

Papier-Mâché
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In second grade
I learned how to papier-mâché
I pulped stacks of colored paper
Mashed them up, pulled to shreds
Glued them around my heart
Then my legs,
My arms,
Stomach.

This was a mistake, you see
Teaching me to glue things together
Because by third grade
I was heavy as a sculpture
Until the glue ran out.