

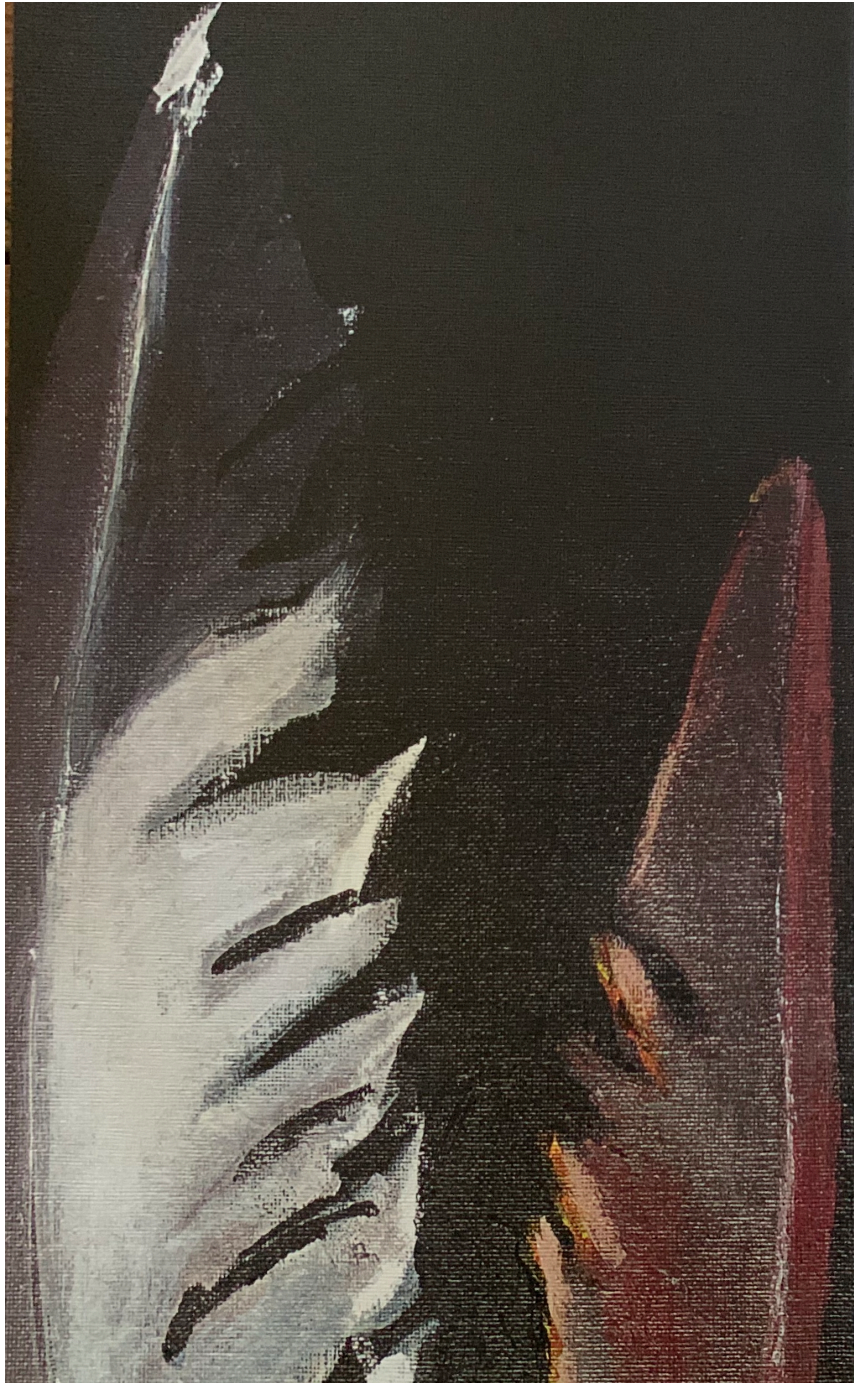


A BIRDER'S LIFE
LIST OF

Imaginary

BIRDS

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BIRD WATCHER'S NOTE:

Unlike their planet-earthly cousins, they arrive and flock together with no regrets and no regard at all for "feather."

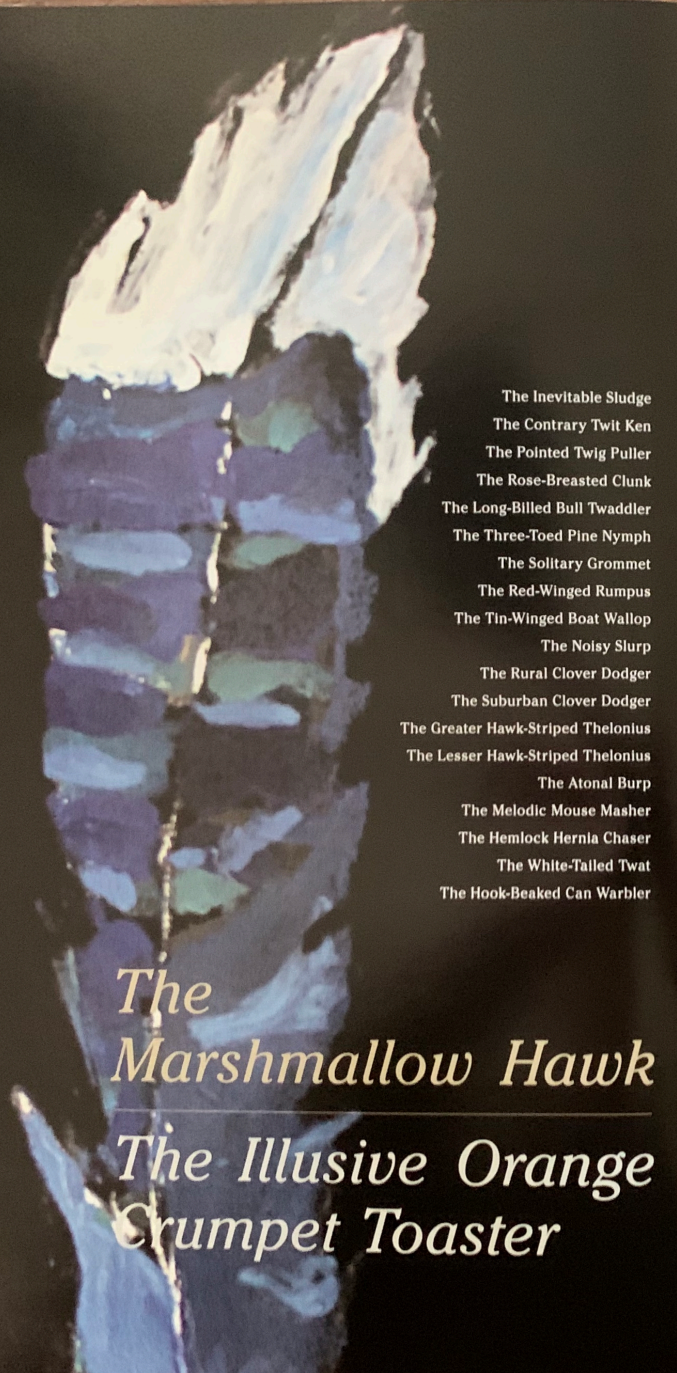
Defying Linnaean taxonomy, dismissive of classical order, family, genus, species; unlike hawks, ducks, sparrows or warblers; like matches struck in a flame burst of words, they classify themselves—each declaring and owning its own unclassifiable name.

They perch side by side: *The Flamboozled Finial* next to *The Pixilated Swizzle Stickler* next to *The Exorcist Egret*. They appear, first a shy scout, often in the deep of night, at times when the mind has its VACANCY sign out. Then they wing in at a torrid pace—one, another, then furiously another, until they are a silent flock all queued up on imaginary branches or telephone lines stretching to infinity.

Like Hitchcock's birds, HERE they sit. Ominous? Serious? Ludicrous? Hilarious? Ponderous? Diminuous? *De Minimis*. Silent. Each impatient for the next; their only songs—the shining plumage of their names.

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The Inevitable Sludge
 The Contrary Twit Ken
 The Pointed Twig Puller
 The Rose-Breasted Clunk
 The Long-Billed Bull Twaddler
 The Three-Toed Pine Nymph
 The Solitary Grommet
 The Red-Winged Rumpus
 The Tin-Winged Boat Wallop
 The Noisy Slurp
 The Rural Clover Dodger
 The Suburban Clover Dodger
 The Greater Hawk-Striped Thelonus
 The Lesser Hawk-Striped Thelonus
 The Atonal Burp
 The Melodic Mouse Masher
 The Hemlock Hernia Chaser
 The White-Tailed Twat
 The Hook-Beaked Can Warbler

*The
 Marshmallow Hawk*

*The Illusive Orange
 Crumpet Toaster*

The Rufous Dear-Ear Biter
 The Lumbering Crone Hunter
 The Pileated Pook Pounce
 The Variegated Least Toot
 The Common Least Toot
 The Ravenous Toot Gobbler
 The Jarhead Heron
 The Teal-Footed Marina Wren
 The Pilates Pigeon
 The Insurmountable Gray Grouch
 The Blueberry Buzzard
 The Dumpster Crane
 The Preach-Addled Pout
 The Gravy Gull
 The Short-Tailed Solipsism
 The Honeydew Melon Borer
 The Silver Sissy Shrike
 The Black-Backed Toad Swallower
 The King Quant
 The Insignificant Puke Pull
 The Red-Eyed Festoon
 The Duck-Billed Grease Skimmer
 The Glimmering Fart-Dodger
 The Ruffed Fart Croak
 The Sedentary Blister Canary
 The Caged Ought
 The Coffee-Winged Grind
 The Ring-Necked Carrion Pipit
 The Ostentatious Herring Fluster
 The Glad Bladder Garble
 The Snoot Swift
 The Pot-Bellied Bee Eater
 The Great Emerald Worm Slurper
 Clarabell's Arctic Jay
 The Awful-Eyed Cross-Billed Auk
 The Golden Coitus Interruptus
 The Soft-Billed Doubt
 The Mute Chat
 The Enraged Rant Rook
 The Penguin Gorger
 The Great Gray Goop Guzzler
 The Tinsel Titmouse
 The Evangelical Irk
 The Penis Pilot Bird

The Avid Oyster Hoarder
 The Phosphorescent Stink Catch
 The Salacious Stump Licker
 The Lingulini Owl
 The Valpolicella Vulture
 The Bovine Ball Barker
 The Golden Gnocchi Gizzard
 The Dumb-Wattled Trump
 The Tyrannical Tree Swift
 The Burp Kestrel
 The Twill-Pleated Trousers Snatch
 The Cashmere Canary Cuckoo
 The Refrigerator Pigeon
 The Impervious Ogle
 The Crenellated Raven Roaster
 The Preeminent Grunt
 The Ladder-Climbing Auk
 The Pugnacious Grunt
 The Las Vegas Lottery Loon
 Charles Chaplin's Penguin
 The Carnelian-Crested Tit
 The Ebony Beetle Choker
 The Least Liver-Throated Lurch
 The Greater Pulpit Pipit
 The Chocolate Dabbler Swan
 The Intransigent Bar Budgie
 The Flatulent African Ant Stomper
 The Enervated Elephant Egret
 The Splay-Toed Tuba Hatch
 The Bug-Eyed Frown Booby
 The Solitary Knock-Kneed Binge
 The Incandescent Blurp
 The Fudge-Footed Turtle Racer
 The Filmy-Feathered Ascetic Urge
 The Succulent Stooage Phoebe
 The Featherless Poodle Swallow
 The Razor-Beaked Frog Dodger
 The Carbuncle Canary
 The Corkscrew-Necked Vineyard Goose
 The Hawaiian Halitosis Hawk
 The Hulking Honey Hawk
 The Mustard-Shinned Pastrami Petrel
 The Smoke-Bellied Mongolian Yurt
 The Morbidly-Obese Pumpkin Pelican

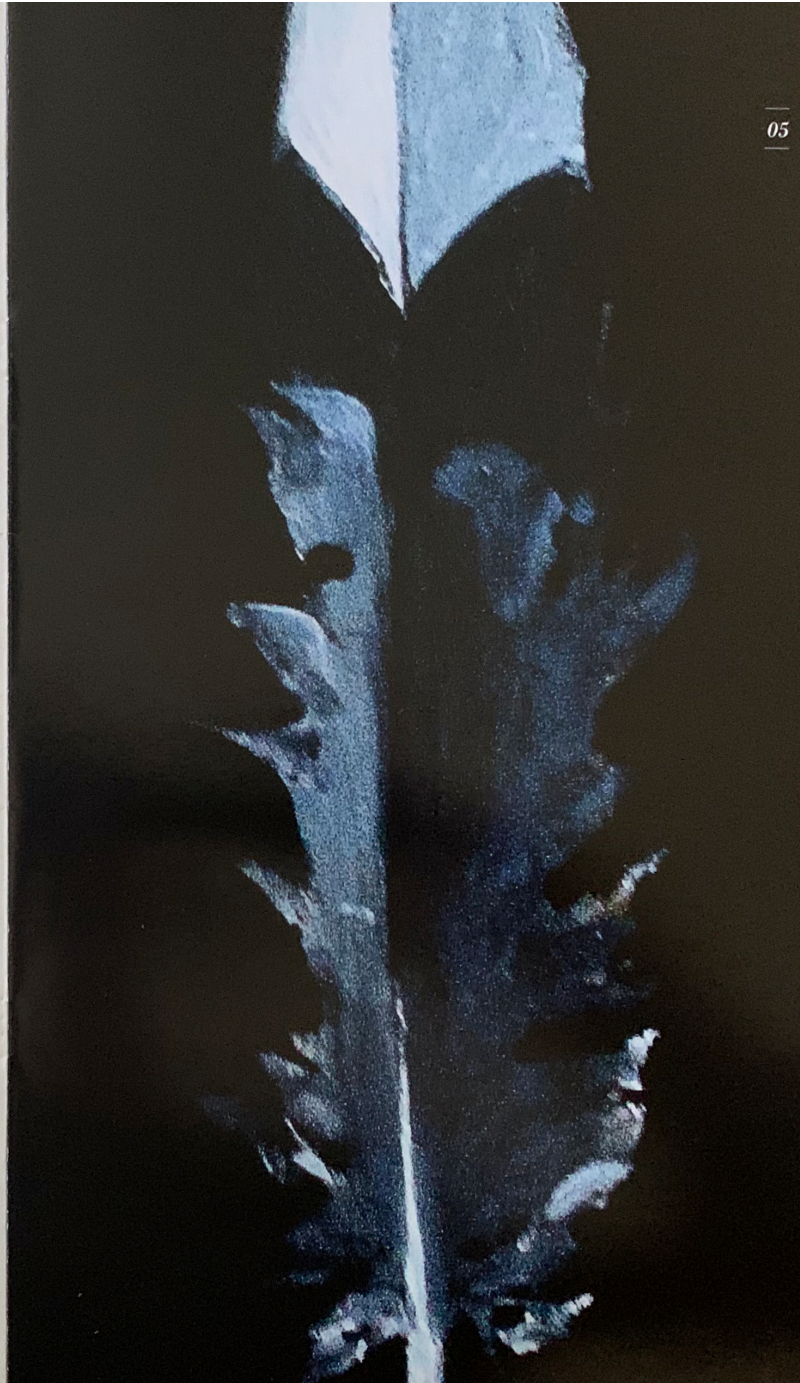
The Petite Prostate Parrot
 The Erroneous Squiggle
 The Mump-Cheeked Moose Merganser
 The Raisin-Rump Richochet
 The Antediluvian Ass Pinch
 The Congratulatory Snipe
 The Kool Aid Kestrel
 The Rum-Chested Dumbbell Dove
 The Vice-Beaked Lobster Mauler
 The Madras-Plaid Curry Auk
 The Beakless Bobo
 The Tawny Owl Buster
 The Skunk Lark
 The Parenthesis Puffin
 The Moon-Eyed Cemetery Tern
 The Quixotic Loss
 The Interplanetary Rosy-Eyed Jest
 The Inebriate Link Warbler
 The Crumpet Cassowary
 The Pop-Eyed Pirate Pipit
 The Rectilinear Sludge Sparrow
 The Ovation Osprey
 The Silver Cesna Creeper
 The Brisket Bee Walloper
 The Pugnacious Pulpit Peeper
 The Octopus Oriole
 The Delirious Dungeon Darter

The Juicy Fruit Junco

The Ebony-Plated Evangelist
 The Anal Retentive Auk
 The Avuncular Antagonistic Tick Eater
 The Monk Dunker
 The Toenail Turkey
 The Synergy Wander Blotter
 The Willow Weeping Commodore
 The Vast And Massive Stasis
 The Great Juice Mocker
 The Undergraduate Exam Slammer
 The Belgian Beer Burble
 The Pestilential Poke Pewee

The Dark- Plumed Anxiety Albatross

The Intransigent Ochre Doubt
 The Sullied Checklist Hen
 The Chipmunk Cuckoo
 The Nefarious Nestling Nougat Finch
 The Never-Say-Never Grouse
 The Titillating Titanic Dove
 The Chalkboard Chicken
 The Ruminating Rug Rooster
 The Teal-Winged Testosterone Tit Mouse
 The Chirpy Lurcher
 The Tweed Twist Swan
 The Gregarious Gronk Swan
 The Coronary Clock Auk
 The Sedulous Ornk
 Oinksters's Ostrich
 Sir Adrian Toodaloo's Trumpet Blaster
 The Shy Don't Do Woo Woo
 The Extravagant Escargot Slayer
 The Sanitary Stool Swipe
 The Thunder Auction Auk
 Plumber's Ponder Wit
 The Mulberry Laughter Lark
 Dudley's Do Right Thrush
 The Simpering Sympatico
 The Oleaginous Grebe
 The Stultified Stew Wren



The Pusillanimous Beak Burrower
 The Surrogate Grub Grinch
 The Crenelated Calendar Jot
 The Giant Marshmallow Dabble
 The Nigerian Guzzle Quirk
 The Mystic Tick Gulper

The Silver Martini Robin

The Slutty Sturgeon Ibis
 The Estonian Extreme Ecstasy Egret
 The Woolly Worsted Woo Woo
 The Elongated Whack Pod
 The Foreshortened Whack Pod
 The Simplistic Tick Choker
 The Mountain Laureate Pecker
 The Stingy Crematorium Crane
 The Black-Winged Coffin Chuff
 The Belfry Beetle Shovel Duck
 The Pileated Pizza Plover
 The Duck-Duck Duck
 The Dim-Witted Red Eye
 The Salty Strangle Crotch
 The Impervious Blue Boob Wit
 The Cerulean Thesaurus
 The Dusky Poltroon Catcher
 The Polygamous Bark Snipe
 The Chocolate Ponder Rap
 The Rufous Testicle Trounce
 The Rustic Woo Woo
 The Steely Strum Thump-It
 The Squalid Lid Ptarmigan
 The Tinny Cricket Croak
 The Tango Warbler
 The Brazilian Wax Hatch
 The Adversarial Bust Nutz
 The Imperious Id Cracker
 The Slimy Ego Scooter
 The Goofy Glut Twitter
 The Needle-Beaked Blister Pipit

The Muddled Minotaur Munch
 The Odd Aardvark Owl
 The White-Throated Torch Wailer
 Breugel's Balalaika Buzzard
 Lady Gaga's Grebe
 The Stradivarian Sludge Gull
 Noodle's King Nuthatch
 The Mute Mercedes Mallard
 The Rainbow Ass Thrasher
 Milton Berle's Schwantz Parrot
 The Seditious Cyanide Starling
 The Bodacious Blog Swift
 The Incendiary Ink-Chinned Canary
 Lulu's Leering Peregrine
 The Dunderheaded Shriek Dove
 Penelope's Pulchritudinous Pudenda Pullet
 Wittgenstein's Blurb Shrike
 The Congealed Canopy Cuckoo
 The What's the Point Petrel
 The Fur Feathered Fox Finch
 The Opportunistic Placenta Warbler
 The Embryonic Slur
 The Incomprehensible Desiderata
 The Slouch Grouse
 The Tweed Hollerer
 The Bulbous Blueberry Tit Wit
 The Aluminum-Crested Aardvark Strangler
 The Sweaty Rump Roarer
 The Pileated Poughkeepsie Pine Warbler
 The Insistent Inkling
 The Terminal Trout Twaddler
 The Pussy Willow Penguin
 The Lascivious Lark Ladle
 The Antebellum Ant Snorkel
 The Indigenous Ooch

The Antediluvian Ant Squash



The Ingenious Inset
 The Tertiary Tort Twit
 The Mustard-Winged Mouse Masher
 The Inventive Blurt
 The Dumb Blurt
 The Three-Toed Bombastic Blurt
 The Burberry Blurt
 the Syncopated Urban Blurt
 Buddy's Blurt
 The Great Crested Archimedean Blurt
 The Wedgie Warbler
 The Ostentatious Beach Owl
 The Downy Rock Snarl
 The Rougher Rock Snarl
 The Meretricious Worm Wrecker
 The Swollen-Toed Museum Pipit
 The Aquamarine Finagling Finch
 Picasso's Penis Plover
 The Jamaican Jamboree Jay
 The Seditious Skulk Sparrow
 The Fuck It Finch
 The I'm Above It Dove
 The Blue-Winged Sun Drummer
 The Langoustine Lark
 The Intrepid Stink Wallower
 The Fritillary Fungus Finch
 The Uncanny Udder Sucker
 The Lesser Lugubrious Gripe
 The Senile Hall Swan
 The Hammer-Toed Bee Buster
 The Blue-Rumped Institutional Urgency
 The Policy Parrot
 The Yes-Nodding Agree
 The Dithering Twitter Tit
 The Lothario Tweeter
 The Throbbing Carcass Crow
 The *Plus Ça Change* Pigeon
 The *C'est Vrais* Vireo
 The Dilapidation Dove
 The Chinky Currency Crow
 The Mantra Mallard
 The Soot-Winged Charnel



The Pimple Parrot
 The Malodorous Mud Puffin
 The Infinitesimal Bog Slurp
 The Smiling Ant Dodger
 The Gargantuan Bog Slurp
 The No-Curl Curlew
 The Avuncular Avaricious Auk
 The Bleary-Eyed Pugnacious Chat
 The Dunce-Hat Dabbler
 The Befuddled Cross-Eyed Directionless Tern
 The Godless Godwit
 The Relentless Grouse
 The Porridge Partridge
 The Could-Would? Twerp
 The Lava-Lamp Lark
 The Popcorn Phoebe
 Howdy Doody's Sapsucker
 The Gnarly Bush Tit
 The Ebony-Vested Tuxedo Tanager
 The Suede-Tailed Herringbone Mufti
 The Poncey Fob-Tailed Smug
 The Fizz-Beaked Boo Boo
 The Nattering Dew Booby
 The Slope-Skulled Cushion Cardinal
 The Circumstantial Pink Plod
 The Thatch-Dwelling Weevil Warden
 The Impecunious Beggar Wren
 Mary Tyler Moore's Merganser
 The Pantaloon Petrel
 The Silver-Crested Salamander Shrike
 The Elvis Ibis
 The Nutella Nuthatch
 Meryl Streep's Meadow Lark
 The Fuzzy Throated Flin
 The South Beach Flip Flop Ter
 The Quarrelsome Gallinule
 The Mump-Cheeked Mussel Crushe
 The Sciatica Sandpipe
 The Dusty Ding Dong Dabbl
 The Seriously Slop-Toed Shrike
 The Ovary Oriole

The Avid Frog Spermer
 The White-Throated Once
 The Fire-Eyed Squirt Gull
 The Snowy Investment Egret
 The Brillo-Bellied Pot Scrub
 The Pugnacious Puker
 The Tweezer-Beaked Whisker Pull
 The Constipated Vignette Vulture
 The Pustulous Boil Lance
 The Blab Buzzard
 The Stench Swan
 The Hemorrhoid Hawk
 The Herniated Ball Dragger

*The Robin
 Hood Rook*

The Vodka Sweat Vulture

The Rooty Kazootée Coot
 The Exclamation Point Plover
 Washington's Mumbly Yelch
 The Dirt-Striped Mud Dowager
 The Glabrous Gonad Dog Wit
 The Bue-Bellied Google
 The Robin Hood Rook
 The Hulk Heron
 The Sanctimonious Screech
 The Louisville Shrike Slugger
 The Burgundy Bladder Bunting
 Sigmund's Poop Stomper
 Dunkin's Donut Dabbler
 The Ontology Owl
 Santa's Slop Tern
 The Dwarf Beezle
 The Gimerack Raker
 The Grasping Glunk
 The Liver-Spotted Early Dine
 Hip Hop's Lesser Hip Hop Tit
 Hip Hop's Greater Hip Hop Tit
 The Shapely Sturgeon Strider
 The Caviar Cormorant
 The History Hackle
 The No Turd Bird
 The Whoa Whoa Myna
 The Shriek Shrike
 The Dirigible Duck
 The Shropshire Sin Bunting
 The Who's-Your-Daddy
 Pimp Partridge
 The Lanyard Waddler
 The Double-Chinned Chit Warbler
 The Broad-Rumped Chump Chickadee
 The Post-Modern Paraphernalia Pigeon
 The Golden-Eyed Minnow Mallard
 The Parenthesis Auk
 The Pearl-Winged Knit Knit
 The Roadside Samaritan Sparrow
 The Black-Backed Electric Sandpiper
 The Lazuli Louse Beak
 The Corn-Flake-Collared Spoonbill
 The Long-Billed Louse Stabber
 The Hobo Harpy
 Gilligan's Grouchy Goatsucker
 The Short-Lived Ghost Stint
 The Eurasian Willow Wander
 The Evanescent Cheezitz
 The Ecuadorian Chee Chee
 The Common Suburban Cinnamon
 Toast Cruncher
 The Tuba Turkey
 The Hat-In-Hand Hlder
 The Dusky Dim Wit
 Skooter's Blue Tooting Coot
 Clarabelle's Catastrophic Canvasback
 The Oregonian Dun Doodit
 Wendy's Whippoorwill Wanker
 The Shovel-Footed Red Rummage
 Thucydides's Tinsel-Torsoed
 Thunder Farter

The Louisiana Loss Albatross
 The Subservient Ha Ha
 The Bavarian Stew Skimmer
 The Horned Hornet Horney
 The Chuckle Thwart
 Clapper's Rough-Winged End It
 The Night Flying Full Stop
 The Gallinaceous Blunt-Beaked
 Conclusion
 The Brazilian Oy
 The Stop Already Auk
 The Tennessee That's-All Thrush
 Dostoyevsky's Done-Now Duck
 The Window Widow Wren
 The Green Plasticine Pit Pullet
 The Mad Ant Bunting
 The Beer Winged Gloaming Goose
 The Irate Crested Dowager
 The Coughing Conclusion Cormorant
 Eliza's End of Days Estuary Eagle
 The Tide Pool Woolite Warbler
 The Diamond Throated Guzzle Hen
 The Greater Chirping Uncertainty
 The Lesser Chirping Uncertainty
 The Musically Dreaded Treacle Titmouse
 The Bombastic Omelet Osprey
 The Ever-Engorging Ernest Aurora
 The Polydactyl Plum Pipit
 Gustave Doré's Labyrinth Lark
 Ariadne's Access Weaver
 The Silver Sediment Sucker
 The Maroon End of Day
 The That's All Folks Pink Poster Pigeon
 The Incandescent Igloo Ibis
 Thucydides Pebble Thrasher
 The Ethanol Egret
 The Athenean Ant Amplifier
 The Butthead Bee Buster
 The Dopey Delinquent Donut Dunker
 The Frog Harmonizer
 The Barbershop Quartet
 Mustache Mimic
 The Uncertain Dirge Wit
 The Salubrious Alimony
 The Chump Changing Chirp Monger
 The Agnostic Antibody Auk
 Hebrides Hellacious Hock Heron
 The Fickle Fence Darter
 The Agonizing Arrow Sparrow
 The Olympic Dic Dic Dick
 The Shy Surprise
 The Gripe Tit
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 The Etruscan Earth Nerd
 The Insistent Arctic Grayling Skimmer
 The Nougat Nuance
 The Dancing Desperado Duck
 The Pizza Pigeon
 Pipi's Pulchritudinous Pee Pee
 The Aeronautic Anchovy Diver
 The Totally Convinced Quack Clucker
 Oyster's Oligarch Owl
 The Fundamentalist Thunder Finch
 The Simple Bubble Bubble
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 The Bubba Bubbler
 Bubble's Dim Stink
 The Winged Ink Blaster
 The Tattooed Who Hooter
 The Cellophane Chickadee

The Passive Aggressive Bubble Bubble

The Crunching Culpepper Crow
 The Great Greek Marble Mouth
 The Whup Assed Willow Ptarmigan
 The Beavis Bee Buster
 The Aluminum Auk Bill
 The Razor Billed Bratwurst
 The Spoon Billed Farina Dipper
 The Egg Osprey



FEATHERS

Paintings (acrylic on paper)



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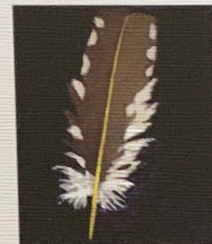
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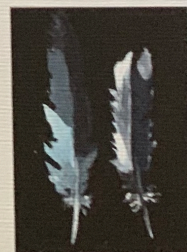
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