naill and Duffy finds heartsease in the work of her fellow Northener, Seamus Heaney. Toni Morrison has said that "death exists only in the minds of others" and Maher and Duffy with their fellow Irish artists have gone a long way to proving that the same is true of "difference," be it political, cultural, or spiritual. Alice Maher and Rita Duffy celebrate the infinite possibilities of lives lived creatively, beyond difference.

Suzanne O Shea has recently completed her doctorate on Irish visual and literary poetics at the University of Ulster, Belfast. She has published poetry, art critical essays, reviews, and interviews. She is currently documenting the Integrated Artworks Project at the Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children, as well as preparing a bilingual collection of her poetry for publication.

<sup>1</sup>Quotes from personal interviews in this article are available in full in my doctoral thesis (O Shea).

<sup>2</sup>In the past three years for example, sectarian conflict has escalated once more. Orange marches continue to inflame the Catholic nationalist population of the province each summer.

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## **DEIRDRE ATHAIDE**

## Dance of the Soul

The cement walls greet me as I walk down the stair, The mirrors grimace as I begin to prepare, The clock haunts me as I put on my shoes, As if to say I have nothing to choose.

My body warms as I begin to sweat, The wood beneath me is my latest fret. I pound and pound until the knockout, Finally, I have won the bout.

My feet grow wings, I become a bird, I soar and glide to music rarely heard. A love has sprouted deep within me, Here is a world where I can be free.

Some people sew and some people knit, I choose to dance and I will never quit.

Deirdre Athaide is the 16-year-old daughter of an Irish immigrant. This past summer she danced in the Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne, the World Championships of Irish Dancing, held in Galway, Ireland. This is her first published poem.



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