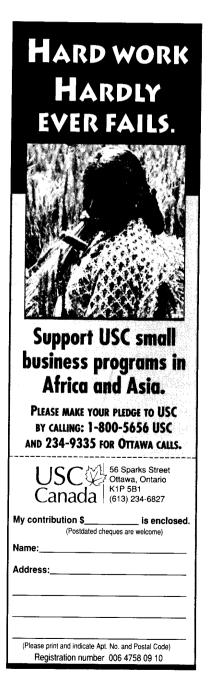
mes plus prondonds désirs, ceux auxquels je rêvais depuis toujours et que je remettais tout le temps à plus tard parce que je les croyais, en fait, irréalisables. Un an plus tard, j'essaye de vivre mes rêves au quotidien.

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## WINONA BAKER Skid Row

She didn't have much chance worked too hard as a kid yelled at and beaten by parents bullied by older kids made to feel ashamed

old men fingered her crawled into her bed

she came to the city was beaten to death by this white guy lived with her sometimes

The took care of everything the nice young medical student tenderly dissected the cold flesh

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## SYLVIA MAULTASH WARSH Dancing in the city

The woman is on fire. Her brain crackles like bacon sizzling in her skull, making dogmeat of her thoughts. At night, the noise terrifies her and sends her dancing cha cha cha into the city where the music is louder than the roar in her head. Her husband stays home. She loves him. She hates him. He is no good. His words beat her till she is senseless and falls flaming to the floor where she does the tango with José, the stud of the evening, the man chosen to quench her fire tonight.

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