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Lord of Disorder

"The work of a correct and regular writer is a garden accurately formed and diligently planted, varied with shades and scented with flowers." Samuel Johnson

There are people I've loved
(my mother, long passed;
an aunt of genteel breeding)
who decorated with plastic
flowers, some so real you'd
stroke them to test their
composition. Similarly,
some athletes and lovers
prefer to roll on AstroTurf.
For windowless offices,
there is full-spectrum light
simulating sunshine. Alternately,
my neighbor's lawn presents
a just and verdant world,
assisted as he is by TruGreen,
oodles of nitrates, and more
water than a well should pull.
Lord of disorder, I am splayed
by the sun, seated amid my
weeds and thatch, loving
the chaos of creation.

David Axelrod