

# Virgin Black, I Sleep With The Emperor

I shivered  
in the warmth of their god  
Yet this mansion  
is haunted by romance  
His servants heal my scars  
Anointing me with oil  
I am naked and silk on this eve  
His body will cradle his bride's  
in frailty as I await his kiss  
mortality ebbs from me  
The pendulum sings  
Twelve times it rings  
I sleep with the emperor