## **Secret History**

• <u>Charles Simic</u> 1938 – 2023

Of the light in my room: Its mood swings, Dark-morning glooms, Summer ecstasies.

Spider on the wall, Lamp burning late, Shoes left by the bed, I'm your humble scribe.

Dust balls, simple souls Conferring in the corner. The pearl earring she lost, Still to be found.

Silence of falling snow, Night vanishing without trace, Only to return. I'm your humble scribe.