



Hohokam Sacred One, Agonising Global Heating

Seventy-three thousand
Sunrises ago,
Gracing Hohokam
Romero village
Beneath paloverde shade,
Thee began.

Outgrowing tree nurse
Half century heretofore,
Arms
Reach began,
Your
One hundred twenty-fifth
Birthday
Commemorated twenty-nine
Tall metres!
Coming-of-age.

Cactus wrens
Woodpeckers
Owls
Generational nesters,
Migrating Mexican bats
Native bees
Hoverflies
Pollinators,
Juicy regal fruits
Nourished
Birds
Bats
Mammals
Reptiles
Insects,
Complex Earth System keeper.

Extreme dryness
Erratic monsoonal summers,
Flickering,
Torrential years,
Topped twenty twenty-two.
Death knell!

Surreal saguaros,
Sonoran sentinels,
Richest planetary desert,
3500 plant species
500 bird kinds
1000 bee sorts,
Human combustion heat,
Beyond!

Like dearly departed
Ancient African baobabs
Colossal Sierran sequoias
Giant Australian gums,
Beware,
Change or agonise!

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