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A GLASS SAFARI

A discarded strand of cultured pearls
Snakes its way through the plastic jungle on the dresser
It winds past the fine-sprinkled desert of jasmine-scented
powder
Squeezes between two tall lipstick trees
With glossy, chiseled buds of "natural dawn pink"
Curves through a turbid river of "earth fire red"
Still flowing from a crack in the glass volcano's neck
And finally recoils
From the rainbow-sparkling, multi-faceted crystal elephant
Standing in its path.

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