

## AINA LEI

Polu cloud mitochondria  
is linked like pearls.

Banyan roots drop.  
Branch grounds to branch.

Black hair braid.  
Thatched roof amulet.

Angel hair shields taro leaf  
weaving a fine mesh net for fish.

Pohaku labyrinth,  
Lava tube portal links to another world.

Pele's hair filament  
is blood red vein, now exposed.

Catch the wave crest.  
Be purged by the flow.

Haloa star womb.  
Pretzeled limb.

Rainbow is the road  
God takes going home.

Without word, message is sent.  
Hear the space between sound.

Xylem, phloem.  
A quilted energy blanket.

Green growing Kupapako  
cradles us and is womb.

—Bonnie Raingruber