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## **Nude Modeling**

I sit perfectly still,  
bare-naked, atop a step-ladder,  
my robe draped over a rung.  
My ass is numb,  
I stare dumbly at a crawling clock.  
One pretty art student,  
swishes charcoal in her sketchbook,  
winks at me and laughs.  
I feel movement  
where anything but perfect stillness  
would bring growing embarrassment.  
But, I think, it could be worse.  
If this was a poetry reading  
I'd be baring my soul.

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