

CASTLE OF CRAZIES

Connie's standing naked in the rain
she tells me to call the cops because
someone is robbing a bank
I ask her if she is OK
she says she isn't OK and
runs back into her apartment

Nancy, who manages the castle
tells me Connie's cat died
she was OK with her meds
as long she had her cat
but now Connie isn't OK at all

Freddy is getting high in the parking lot
there's a smoker's zone
where he sits on a small brick wall
listening to music on his phone
and burning a joint
he works as a set manager for the movies
I'm sure the weed helps him with his work

when it's not raining
I sit in my lawn chair with no shirt on
worshipping the sun
and drawing a scrawny little bush
that stands beside the smoking area
I wonder what life would be like
if my grandparents didn't immigrate from Italy
the weather would certainly be better

Laura walks by with two of her friends
they are young and party all the time
she is an aspiring stand up comic
I'm sure she must get some of her material
from the characters in this building
I know I do

If life is art we are all living in a huge art gallery

it's cool how everyone gets along in the castle
no one judges anyone
we are just doing our thing
and trying to be happy
I think weed can help with that