save the last dance for me

and a four: last dance

he does not dance or does and she does not dance or does he hip hops and she ballrooms she takes up poetry he takes on tai chi she discovers a cure for the common cold he plants prize petunias

and a three: dance therapy

he danced or she danced i'm too tired to dance
children to dance class and baseball and math team
tap dancing around each other
competition dancing
break dance

and a two: war dance

he danced and she danced tango dancing like trees and bees and peeptoads dancing the jig and twist and cha cha mating dance dancing big-bellydance dancing

and a one: courtship dance

choreography of a courtship and marriage in four beats

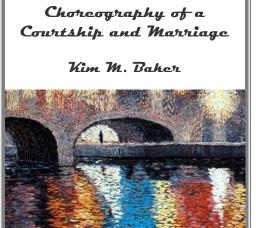
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Love at First Sight

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The riverwalk is pixilated with people in waterfire reverie. Yet in that madcap jostling along the path to the fireworks, our eyes meet, for just a moment. Then, whoosh! We are swept along in the sway and crush, rushed to opposites sides of the bridge.

All through the night,

I think I see you, there,
near the vendor with his lemony ice,
no, there with the blue cotton candy man, wait! there in the mauve of love splayed insane across the water like petals, exploding in fireworks of "find him!"