

## Dael Orlandersmith



certainly generous /impossible loud/ soft / but it was ALL about the WORD the WORD Language language solid language scattered... eyes – hands-open immaculately dressed and then at times crude – downtrodden but there ready land of a thousand syllables and telling others to write it scream it DIG IN and theyWE did-DIG IN and when he hated it his voice would – the timbre could slice your/my words and when he loved it – your/my words the smile the hands towards the sky the body expanded like bop like kings

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