

BEAT ON

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ONE OF TWO, TERTIARY ADJUNCT OF UNIMATRIX ZERO ONE LOVE

He who was once one Met her She who was once one Met him

An assimilation of adoration transpired

Together the two
Became singular
The metaphoric one flesh
Emotionally, spiritually, and intellectually linked
A symbiotic hive mind
A Collective of Two
One unit. One couple
A shared identity

But in the end their love proved futile As Two of Two severed their lengthy connection

One of Two
He who was once one
Was abruptly torn away
And found himself
In disarray, disoriented, by forced individuality

In his head
Existed the solace and support of dual voices
But now
There was only his own

With the "we" now "I" And the "our" now "my" They tell him he's liberated

But really He just feels Incomplete **Bio:** Gregory Cioffi (SAG-AFTRA, AEA) is a professional actor and published author. His debut novel The Devil in the Diamond was released in September of 2023 by Henry Gray Publishing. Greg is an Adjunct Professor of English at Long Island University, an Associate Professor of Literature & Composition at Post University, and he also teaches Creative Writing, Poetry, and Basic Acting at Nassau Community College.

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