

SUMITA CHAKRABORTY  
**HIDDEN TRACK**

A poet once said  
*There is no there there.*

I said before that we want  
you to think we're worthy

of saving. The truth is,  
we made *we* up.

*I* want you  
to think *I*, and the ones

I love, are worthy of saving.  
I am a brown woman

who has loved widely  
and unsystematically.

I, and my we,  
have a *they*.

Give them a reason  
to look up in fear.

Lord knows,  
they'd do it anyway.