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## Under the Eiffel Tower at Midnight

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**UNDER THE EIFFEL TOWER  
AT MIDNIGHT**

*Laura Ely*

As if by lightning  
the sky erupts  
starbursts mask  
precious gold.

The city of light  
epitomized  
in the brief show  
of flashing bulbs.

Paparazzi  
capture the glitz  
of the fashionable  
on the Paris streets.

We are captured  
by the lights,  
intoxicated  
by the ensuing dark.