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This bastard buzzes, bitches
Boisterous beating of wings
Bounce off battered walls
Bruising my brain

Clammy cupped hands,
Catch creepy creature
Its chassis cramped and caged
Like a king in check

I press together perspiring palms
A practically imperceptive squish
The putrid noise is paused
Perfect, peaceful placidness

At last, lacking life
I take a long look
At little limp legs
A lifeless liquid lump

At once I see now still
Its wings are iridescent
Even under these fluorescents
Shattered stained glass in the sun

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