

Vegan Says "Kill"

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You mother!...

I slap the air
with two hands
as recommended-

Papillon escapes
into the dark
beyond the iMac screen.

Peace.

You mother!...

I slap the silhouette
between me and the screen

You lucky

West Nile bastard!

I have a reverence
for your kind,
don't you understand?
But sucking my blood
kind of draws the line.

Holy!...

I slap the...
...oh no.

Oh, but wait-
I, am the one who
shrivels at this moment,
...as you are diminished.

I, the less.

I, the vegan that kills.

