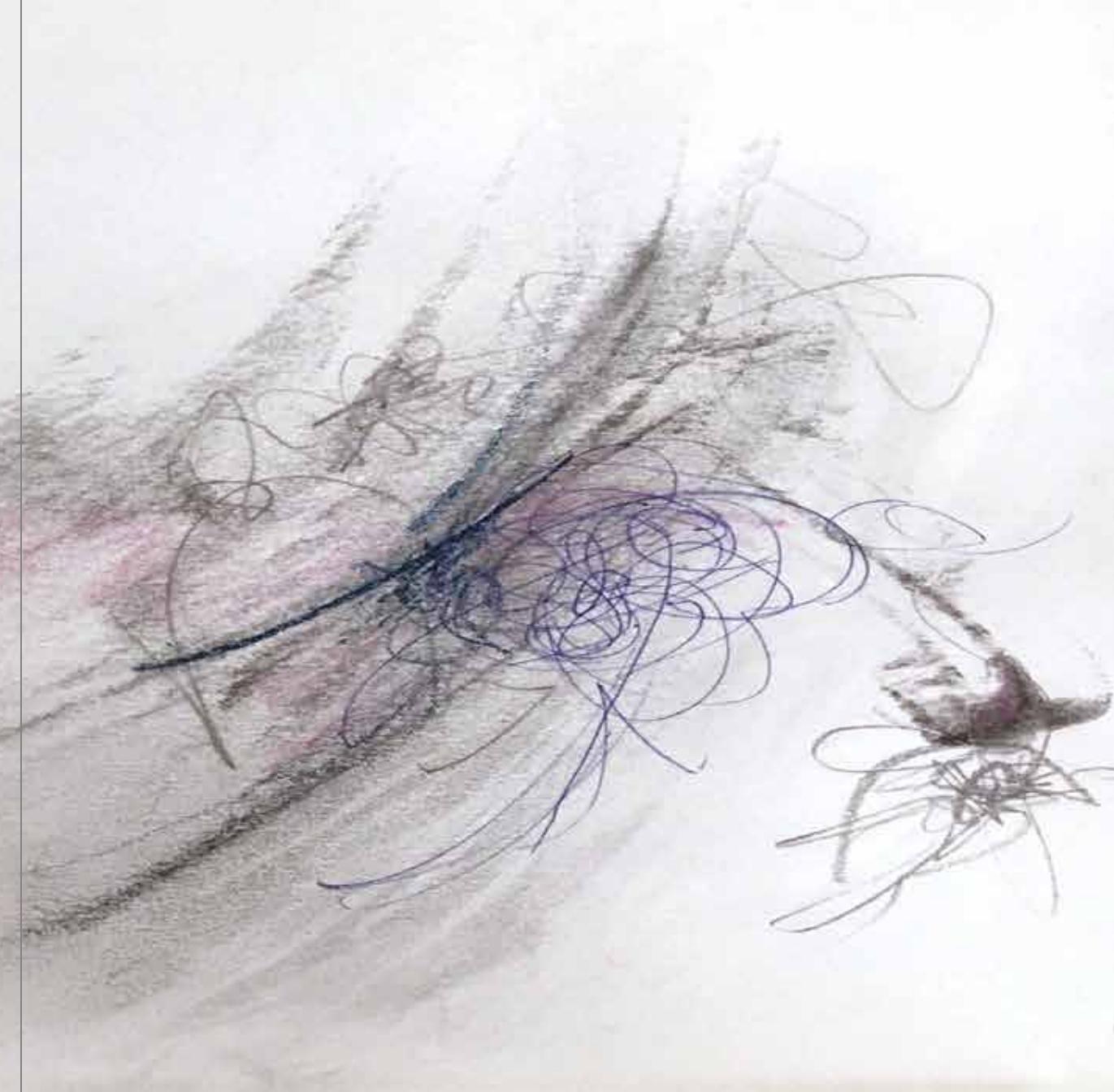


*I Am a  
Beam*

*– Michael O'Rourke*

I am a beam of light.



I am a beam of energy,

a packet of energy

blazing briefly then fading.



Disappearing

like the explosion

of a distant planet

– though smaller, small small smaller



Or the burst of energy  
recorded  
in the marks

of a drawing.

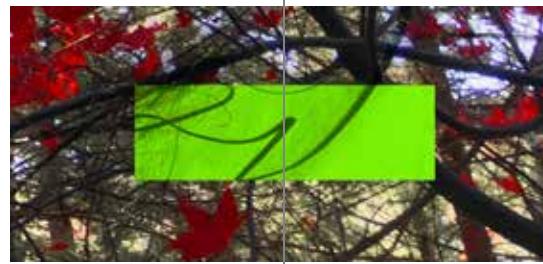
*Boom! Whoosh!* This way, that,  
fast, slow,  
darker, lighter,  
more intense, less.



Then gone.

blackness

or whiteness



blankness

A burst of energy –

moi, toi,

vous, nous

to be followed sans cesse by other bursts.



*...sans cesse...*



A Killifish breaks the water's surface

lunging at an insect

we can't even see.

Ripples spread, fade.

A Bass chases a Killifish.

Michael catches a Bass.

A star explodes – *Boom!*

Or maybe

“boom”

A human thinks,

A human dies.

A minnow jumps and dies.

Boom, whoosh, Whoosh, boom.



I am a beam of light.

You are a beam of light.

We are a beam of light.



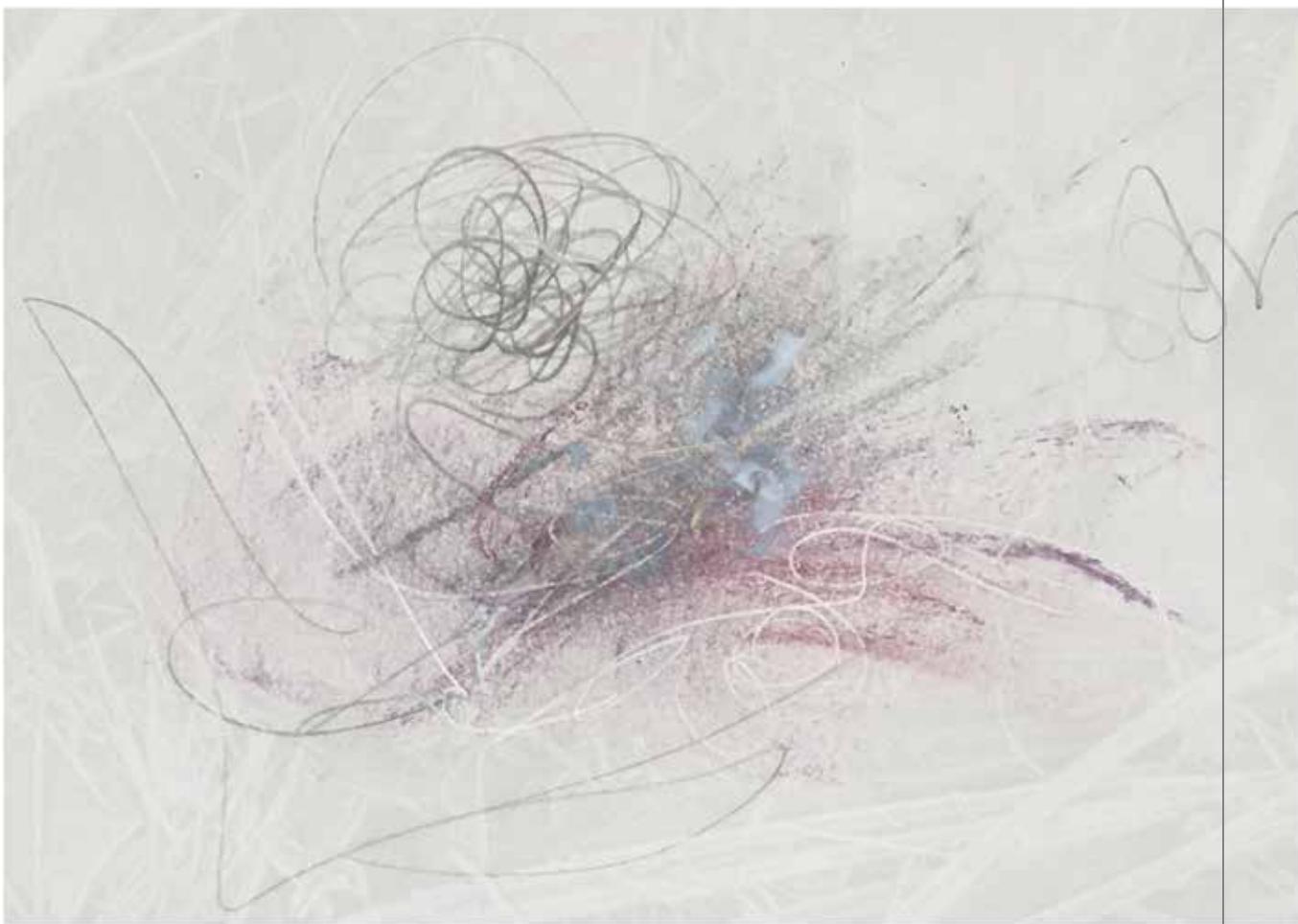
Beam of light chase beam of light.

Will chase beam

Shall chase beam

Through time chase beam

Light chase beam



Eternal beam of beaming me

living beam dying beam

unknown all-being beam

*beam*