

Theory of Relativity

"The measurement of time is relative to the observer."

Einstein, Planck,
all of them since Maxwell,
knew time's relativity, knew
celestial bodies, gravity and light,
invisible rays and dark matter.

And all of them missed the point. This wasn't
something new or unusual in the universe;
not a sudden discovery of science.
Lovers discovered it too, eons ago,
in a different laboratory.

As long as we have loved,
even physicists have known: that
love is composed of invisible rays, that
life is filled with light
and with dark matter, that
our lover's body is celestial, with
its own inexorable gravity.

That when we are parted,
time is infinite, that
always, time together
is infinitely short, that
always, the speed of leaving
is the speed of light, that
eternity passes
before the return.

Past and future fill
the eternal present,
the black hole that opens up
when you're gone.