

# Halo

## Amorphis

The sea rose and fell  
The waves were crashing  
Thrashing a piece of wood  
Against the rocks

The surf took it ashore  
A strange stick I found  
To pick up and ponder  
And turn in my hands

A white raven's skull  
Fashioned by time and tide  
And its gnarly lines  
Furrowed by stone

I put together a halo  
Out of pieces of amber  
Carved my own marks  
With a knife of bone

In the middle of the halo  
I placed the raven's skull  
Drew wings with charcoal  
Painted a bird in ash

The bird took wing and flew  
A raven cried in the wind  
The images washed away by the sea

Drawn by daylight's quill  
Embraced by the woods  
In the shadow of the twilight

A sign lingered in my mind  
Halo behind my eyes  
Picture of amber bright  
Glowing with bronze

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