I AM A POET WILLOW TREE

I wish
i had a fire in me
big enough to be able to utter
with simplicity and confidence in
front of people
"I am a Poet, capital P with a denition in each letter
alone."
I am a       poet puzzling over error and beauty
puzzling over matter
I rise from the depths of Oceania, land of
Strength
water dripping from my heels into the mouths
of grateful ones waiting for my tears
too
I do not enjoy being turned
away, nor the ridges
of the corner-
dark, shadowed and oh-so straight
Rulers confuse me and: who makes them in the first place
anyway? who decides what makes a
straight line
or where to stop crying when your feelings are
over?
if i had to draw myself on a piece of paper
it would be black with ink because i'd cover
every spot
space waiting for my faith.
and the ink would leak into your palms
because i've shed water all over it
and it promises— that certainly
won't be called a straight line, ever.
Won't fold up even with the other papers because mine is
wrinkled
with time and age and heart
I think the tree my paper was born from was a willow
because they bend over their whole lives
hiding their sweet long faces in their hair
i do
never had the courage to stand up straight and
let the world see my face
let alone let them hear the chant
i whisper through my teeth
"I am a poetpoetpoetpoetpoetpoetpoetpoet.."

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SUMMER COLLEGE SURVEY!!

How much did you spend?
1. $300.
2. $500.
3. “ugh... no idea. more thannecessary”

Favorite Study Spot:
1. My friend’s dorm
2. Fish bowl at Uris
3. On the hill, under a tree.

Favorite Summer Movie:
1. Spiderman 2
2. Dodgeball
3. Harry Potter

WHO YOU WOULD VOTE FOR AS PRESIDENT?
1. Kerry
2. Johnny Depp
3. Bush

Biggest Political Issue:
1. War in Iraq
2. President battle
3. Gay marriage

Favorite Summer Program:
1. Midnight breakfast
2. Wednesday Night Movies
3. Soccer

Favorite College Town Spots:
1. Souvlaki House
2. Bear Necessities
3. College Town Bagel
How many times did you fall asleep in class?
Never
Everyday
25% of the time

Items you wish you brought?
Umbrella
Boombox
Laptop

Most annoying roommate behavior?
Getting you sick
Not throwing out garbage
Being conscious before 7:00am

Latest you stayed up?
2:30 am
5:30 am
6:00 am

You know it’s summer college when...
Everyone is sitting outside with ID cards and books waiting for night check
It’s cold and your studying in the middle of July
People are doing laundry/homework on a Friday night

Craziest slope accident?
Friend slipped and fell on her butt
Sliding down on cardboard boxes in the rain
Rolling down the hill in celebration of the end of prelims and getting stung by a bee
Career Exploration in the Life Sciences
Three Week Session 2

Late Arrivals and Local Students
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