Orchid

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Me and my helmet
Such an unconventional kid
All intense and kinetic
St best tolerated from afar
Not yet arrested
And by that I mean betrothed
Though a start I am newly courted
I've just not been trusted with alters
I'm a sweet piece of work
Well intentioned yet disturbed
Wrongly labeled and underfed
Treated like a rose as an orchid
My friends as they weigh in
Get understandably protective
They have a hard time being objective
So inside we cancel each other out
I'm a sweet piece of work
Well intentioned and unloved
Unlabeled and misunderstood

Treated like a rose as an orchid
You've brought water to me
Making sure my bloom rebounds
You know best of what
My special care allows
So I've lived in my blind spot
Thought myself usual when I'm not
And your garden is a nice spot
As long as it is brave and where you are
For this sweet piece of work
High maintenance and deserted
I've been different and deserving
Treated like a rose as an orchid
Sweet piece of work
Overwhelmed, unobserved
I've been bowed down to but so misread
Treated like a rose as an orchid

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