

Monkey Business

Love and cancer, two monkeys on my back.
One, presumably amoral, or if not,
moral in some macrocosmic or twisted sense
I won't begin to understand. The other,
no less enigmatic in metaphysical terms
no less debilitating psychologically
than the first metaphysically,
moral to a fault, the noble ins and outs
as likely to consume love's body as cancer
the one of flesh, blood, bone and tears.