

POETRY AT KOJAK'S

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FEATURING JOHN MILKEREIT & COURTNEY O'BANION SMITH *Friday, May 17, 2024* 1912 W. 18TH ST, HOUSTON FEATURED READINGS: 7:00 PM OPEN MIC: FOLLOWING FEATURES

Lost Sonnets for My Unvaccinated Lover poems

John Milkereit





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