Last night I dreamt about a mutt whose tail never learned how to wag, and under a sun that gagged us with heat, the mutt sat stoned with its mouth belching cones of pot smoke. Sometimes the smoke shone orange – sometimes it had the texture of *keffiyehs*. People passed it in the street, not looking between its ears. No one ever pet the mutt. Men on bicycles swerved around it. Cars pulled Uturns. Busses sped by. It was part something, but mostly something else.

Its nose was badly burnt. It jiggled like cooked fat.