## Ray DiPalma

#### IDIOM

Cunning and accommodating She stared straight ahead Unfolding her arms in lieu of apology

Vexed and unconvinced—and more Than a little cramped I got down On my hands and knees

Nodded and sang my song

#### IDIOM (II)

I have not brought the message I came with the message

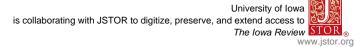
I am a part of what Is said to have happened

### IDIOM (III)

Discourse transforms possibility Into endless function

Function transforms discourse Into endless possibility

A face in the wall Absorbing the imaginary terms of its tributes



# IDIOM (IV)

A ragged stripe of one color Next to one perfectly Rendered in another hue

Something specific Imagined inside A random number