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Think of the time.
Patience.
Perseverance.

Under the Surface of Stone

Beth Ayers

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Perseverance.

Stone

refuses to relinquish its surface
to those with mere desire.
Only hours of repetitive abrasion
will remove tiny fragments
to reveal the vision.

The image begs to be freed
from the prison of rock
until the plea is heard and
the tip of a stone chisel
touches the smooth surface,
hammered with one resounding strike.
Repetition chipping, chipping, chipping,
slowly breaks away the weatherworn
patina, exposing fresh stone,
making a long lasting mark.
The message has been waiting.
Think of the time.
How long has this petroglyph
been calling for you to look,
waiting for you to see?



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Arches of History

Alicia Schultze