

BAIBA BIČOLE

(siege)

Translated from Latvian by Bitite Vinklers

—a window opens and shuts;
doors swing open, for a moment wind
dances in, dances
back
out, and again doorposts, doorposts,
 and hinges unyielding
 as warriors,
 and high doorsills,
 and locks, locks,
 like women
 in armor.