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Morning Yoga

by Lee Wardlaw

When he arches in position
I begin my exhibition:
Leaping lithe (with flair!) upon his back.

Then he laughs an admonition
at my feline inhibition
yelling, “Quick! Come take a picture of this cat!”

See, he’s made the supposition
that this daily repetition
is nothing more than Morning Piggyback.

He’s no clue it’s my ambition
to seek kitty manumission –
then one day join the circus with this act.