An October Night

Copious glimmering pinpricks in an unending veil of darkness

Provide minimal illumination to the crisp October night,

As scents of musky-sweet autumn foliage permeate our noses.

An eerie stillness envelops hidden secrets in a gallant cloak,

While fuliginous figures frolicking freely within its facade,

Inflict horripilation into each unsuspecting passerby.

Street dwellers hasten their steps, desperate to escape the deep black abyss.

Then suddenly, a screech, a sharp piercing cry, echoes from a distance.

Or did it? Auditory hallucinations confound sanity.