

Abhinavagupta's Bhairava Stotra

अन्तक! मां प्रति मा दृशमेनां
क्रोधकरालतमां विदधीहि ।
शङ्करसेवनचिन्तनधीरो
भीषणभैरवशक्तिमयोऽस्मि ॥ ४ ॥

antaka! mām prati mā dṛśamenām
krodha-karāla-tamām vidadhīhi /
śaṅkara-sevana-cintana-dhīro
bhīṣaṇa-bhairava-śakti-mayo'smi //4//

O Angel of Death! Do not look towards me with wrathful and frightening eyes as I am always absorbed in the worship of Lord Shiva. Through constant devotion, meditation and reflection, I have become steadfast and courageous, one with the energy of the terrifying Bhairava, thus, your dreadful and frightening looks can do me no harm.

[Extract from Sunday Puja]