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shelled peas
I discover who I am
outside of us



—Vandana Parashar



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first trimester—
her new password
a baby's name

—Kashinath Karmakar



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jumper cables
the slide of petals
down lifted hood



—Caroline Kalfas





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the bounce
of a rubber ball
brings it all back



—Christopher Patchel





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evening-stretched
shadows...
kids crowd
the snow cone stand



—Bekah Richards



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daffodils...
he buys himself
a harmonica



—Hannah Mahoney



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dupont circle
two girls ebb and flow
on fountain's edge

—Sophia, Grade 11



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cherry varenikiy
my grandfather's face
puckers with joy

—Viktor, Grade 7





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sunlight
falling through
falling leaves



—Bennu, Grade 7





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Blossom

When there's someone
New watching over you

—Jasmine, Grade 4



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fuzzy sweaters
unpacking boxes
away from home

—William, Grade 11



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spring thaw
the sound of the river
released

—Willard Klontz



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air show—
a balloon tied to
a wheelchair

—Dan Iulian



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first blossoms
all the colors
of sidewalk chalk

—Jacquie Pearce



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morning sonata
in the repetition of brooms
a lark's melody

—Priscilla, Grade 12



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sprinting past
with her yoga mat
winter rain

—David Grayson



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dappled sunlight
dances with the pleats
of her cotton dress

—Allison, Grade 10



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Winter evening
Snow sweeps
night forests

—Maksim, Grade 10



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lifting fog...
a little more yellow
in the oriole's trill

—Antoinette Cheung



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blooming garden
a wheelbarrow full
of children

—Rich Schilling



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visiting grandma—
on stump of old apple tree
green shoots

—Alex Malley



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distanced tables
she moves her coffee
into the sun

—Michelle Schaefer



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its perfume
almost a taste...
lilac

—Veronika Zora Novak



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early crocuses—
unpacking the first box
in our new home

—M. Shane Pruett



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daylight savings—
another fledgling pulls
out of its dive

—Scott Mason



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new job
his hair litters
the sink

—Yvette Nicole Kolodji



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eggshell blue
something new begins
to stir

—P. H. Fischer



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month end
my kid's piggy bank
still heavy

—Neha R. Krishna



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bicycle pedals
turn
I hear her singing

—Bennu, Grade 7



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On the first summer day
I got out of the cocoon
And cut my hair...

—Kira, Grade 9



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winter afternoon
repainting the den
the color of peaches

—Marcie Wessels



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we never ask
they keep offering—
cherry blossoms

—Deborah Bennett



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spring soaker
the tulips
a little tipsy

— Alan Bridges



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tiny cries
from another room
milk moon

—dl mattila



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suddenly dark
clouds ... and clouds
of cherry blossoms

—Suraja Roychowdhury



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inhale
exhale
jellyfish

— June Rose Dowis



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Waiting for
the dough to rise—
waxing gibbous moon

—Alexis Rotella



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after years
their former feelings—
old trees in buds

—Marek Kozubek



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the crescent moon
of a croissant, warm
In the waning dawn

—Sophia, Grade 11



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busy market—
even the bouquets
are buzzing

—Carole MacRury



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when I see myself
I see my grandma's
glossy eyes
they close when we hug

—Dakota, Grade 5





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Pieces of paper
Stuffed in overall pockets
Looking past mistakes

—Vivian, Grade 8



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winter wedding
we hide hand warmers
in his wingtips

—Spyros Mylonas



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fresh in my mind now
the natural gap-
toothed smiles
of unmasked faces

—Nonie, Grade 12



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Like inertia,
At last, my head
hangs heavy
From the weighted dreams.

—Kelaiah, Grade 10



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flickering light
a chaplain's long walk
to the next room

—Tom Bierovic



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end of night shift
the asters
covered with dew

—Tzetzka Ilieva



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flower show—
he talks up
the intention of a rose

—Tim Singleton



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one by one
a child straightens
ears of barley

—Felix Arce Araiz



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The first spring morning:
I let go of the
lustrous diamond ring.

—Tianyi, Grade 11



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first sip of tea—
a leaf
jitterbugs

—Colin Dardis



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jasmine field
the bee forages
on the woman's dress

—Lucky Triana



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peach tree in the rain
the lullaby
my daughter sings to me

—Radostina Dragostinova



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Opening day...
only my cap
still fits

—Bill Sette



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first sleepover,
a blanket of stars
on your birthday

—Julie Emerson



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ninety today...
he tells me
the tulips are up

—Laurie Greer



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early spring...
I go back to my
unfinished poems

—Kavya Janani. U



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maple buds burst
my hand opened again
for a high-five

—Henryk Czempiel



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Three birdfeeders,
each one
occupied by a squirrel

—Maria van Beuren



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the wingbeats
of a fledgling robin...
lockdown lifted

—Chen-ou Liu



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planting corn
the Navajo man sings
to each seed

—Frank Higgins



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snow dusting
the way powdered sugar
lands on brownies

— Adelaide Shaw



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dandelion dream
waking to his breath
upon my neck

—Jackie Chou



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aloo parathas
a good start
to a new day

—Naman Benday



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hard reset
a cherry blossom settles
on my keyboard

—Richard Matta



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grandma cleans the
silverware -
in the family album
a new member

—Daniela Lăcrămioara Capotă



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old letter—
I pick up
with a new pen

—Alex Ben-Ari



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our shadows
holding hands
daylilies on the wind

—Precious Oboh



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toddler
takes the slide on her belly
first mayfly

—Valorie Woerdehoff



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longer days
teaching new dog
old tricks

—Birk Andersson



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every honk
expresses a cloud
returning geese

—Earl Keener



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**lilac bloom
an elderly couple
takes their time**

— Jeffrey Hanson



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the fog lifts
redbirds
beak-to-beak

— Alan Peat



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joy too
is contagious
blooming crabapples

—Dian Duchin Reed



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blackbird
holding the winter sun
in its beak

—Ciaran Parkes



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spring woods
first buds show
on the buck's head

—David Oates



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reheating
last night's soup
our long marriage

—Sheila Sondik



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finding our way
in the dark
fireflies

— Jeff Hoagland



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snow falling
on deep snow...
this doe and fawn

—Jill Lange



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wrinkled lovers
still dancing in the wind
dried cherry petals

—Sebastian Chrobak



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more gray hairs—
the cherry blossom
turning pink again

—Ciaran Parkes



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taking
it in anyway
placebo moon

—Edward Cody Huddleston



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return home—
in the apple tree nest
a few eggs

—Maria Tirenescu



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rose pruning
will I bloom
in love again

—Kristina Todorova



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cherry tree in bloom...
the clouds slide
cautiously

—Ivan Ivančan



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tulip garden
the long stretch of a
selfie stick
falling short

—Srinivasa Rao Sambangi



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the scent of lilacs
along a pathway
whirligigs twirl

—Pat Tompkins



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new year's day—
pulling a dead something
from the flowerpot

—Sandra Simpson



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fresh start
switching from portrait
to landscape

—Benedict Grant



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all my pots
refilled with gold...
daffodils

—Marion Clarke



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rakes propped against trees
covered in white drift
snuggled in, til budding thaw

—Steve Honegger



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flowering dogwood
the hiss of the hot air balloon
rising

—Madhuri Pillai



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star drift
a bat-struck
moon

—Izehi Destiny



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window ledge —
the muscle memory
of a house sparrow

—Hemapriya Chellappan



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on the bus
the pleasure
of a smile

— Joseph P. Wechselberger



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spring screen saver
California poppies
in full bloom

—Helen Ogden



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Easter
on the oak stump
red lichen in bloom

—Vladimir Ludvig



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morning light—
yellow about to spring
from a dandelion bud

—Hannah Mahoney



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if nothing else...
these milkweed seeds
I introduced to the wind

—Julie Schwerin



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Lincoln Monument
A child takes a
Picture of ducks

—Amada Burgard



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sailing
as if there were no end
wind through the cypress

—Jenny Fraser



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peach orchard...
in my basket
a velvet moon

—Barrie Levine



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I stop
for the shadow
of the stop sign

—Willard Klontz



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buds full of spring
at the end of this long road
is another road

—Peter Free



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crescent moon
craters
in the dark

—Kelly Sargent



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brilliant haiku
the city gardener cleans
the signboard weekly

—Pitt Buerken



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early spring
we take off our gloves
to hold hands

—Robert Witmer



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early petals
my daughter applies
her first eyeliner

—Radka Mindova



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coming in waves
or particles, perhaps
afternoon sun

—Jonathan Aylett



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a crowd gathers
around the middle of
nowhere
Zoom meeting

—Rick Jackofsky



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spring lightning
my grandfather's face
as a child

—Vladislav Hristov



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pruning—
stimulating our dormant
relationship

—Paul Callus



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fruit barn—
an old apricot
blooms from its stump

—Linda Papanicolaou



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mean streets
the backyard
bird feeders

—Keith Evetts



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cedars and firs
as still as stones...
mountain rain

—Michael Dylan Welch



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snowflakes
in the mirror
childhood memories

—Golban Florin



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curbside
a crow pokes through
my old life

—Jacquie Pearce



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Lunar New Year
the tiger
wanders in his cage

—Nicky Gutierrez



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dappled sunlight
a blossom in the pocket
of her grandmother's coat

—Kate Loomis-Adams



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spring drizzle...
in every drop
joy blossoms

—Ali Znaidi



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on the swing
she kicks her legs to the sun—
first day of spring

—Annette Akkerman



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first buds
I dust the head
of a stone Buddha

—Carmela Marino



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after the storm
a petal of moon
on an empty stalk

—Rajandeep Garg



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late love
the re-bloomed clematis
climbs up the wall

—Marta Chocilowska



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**moving
before magnolia blossoms
and after**

—Kerstin Park



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a retreat of trees
the world
beneath the snow

—Amanda Simmons



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spring breeze
I close my laptop
to look up

— Abia Dasein



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she rests her hand
on the curve of her belly
crescent moon

—Wendy Notarnicola



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newborn...
a blossom tumbles into
the stream

—Rebecca Drouilhet



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spring stars...
all the wishes
she whispers

—Genevieve Wynand



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sleep mode
the world beyond
your open windows

—Benedict Grant



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sunflowers —
the house spider
starts again

—Aaron Barry



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spring rain
out of the blue
Dad's hyacinth

—Marion Clarke



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freezing morning
a child carries an extra scarf
for his snowman

—Raj Bose



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brief interlude...
twisting the hair
up with a pencil

—Aparna Pathak



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on the bench
an album of old photos
and a rose

—Angel Dyulgerov



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spring fever
i let the dog sniff
the flowers

—Billy Antonio



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new street painting
the artist signs his name
under the moon

—Ron C. Moss



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spring moonlight
the scent of earth
ripe for seed

—Sandi Pray



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mom's daffodils
and I bloom again...
without her

—Claire Vogel Camargo



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bookstore sign -
“Literature begins
around the corner.”

—David Oates



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Blank sheet of paper—
looking for a crayon
in spring's color

—Markus Heyder



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the angel
in the winter garden
melting into spring

—Pippa Phillips



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sunflowers in bloom
the schoolyard is filled
with laughter

—Khoa Ngo Binh Anh



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pastel sky
magnolia petals
fill with dawn

—Gavin Austin



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Black / Brown / Beautiful
Basking in ancestral sun
My soul is dancing

—Dianne Earley



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clearing sky
the warmth
of hellos

—E. L. Blizzard



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barefoot
to make much of time
in clover

—Julie Schwerin



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break in the clouds
an open parking space

—Caroline Kalfas



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“You’re wearing what?”
Spring fight
With flowering teen

—Madelyn Rosenberg



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moonglow
among the tulips
down on one knee

—Elaine Wilburt



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back to school
a neighborhood dog gallops
after the bus

—Vanessa Proctor



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after all the waves
these cascades
of wisteria

—Ravi Kiran



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