

broken faith
his cup overflows
bourbon

cl

another morning
Dad's not home

cg

day after day
we watch Mom
grow

gg

pregnant move
wades in to drink

gjb

sunbathers
on a warm afternoon
cherry blossoms

rmb

float out
toward open ocean

ttt

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rabbit nest
the crow returns for
the last one

rmb

abandoned child wails
in the dark

gjb

seeing people pass
one by one
wanting . . .

gg

the lone mallard
in the reeds

cg

spotted moon
one the water
ripples

cl

an inspiration
for my brush strokes

kv

staring at the painting
crying because
he left

cl

on the road again
endless miles

cg

from trial to trial
road to road
lost in my mind

gg

a map crumpled
hands grip mine

gjb

a list of places
she's never been
on her own

rmb

solitary travel
the crane lands

ttt

lunar eclipse
the bird's wing
a shadow puppet

gjb

in her eyes
I see her mother

cg

his nose wrinkles
down on one knee
a single tear

kv

puddle in the kitchen
devil sips through a straw

jh

smacking his lips
basking in sweet success
cherry blossoms

nk

the lonely grave
covered in petals

tnp

gravestone
standing alone
missing corpse

nk

fifty years later
the old barn burns down

jh

a house of memory
now a field
of chipped wood

kv

with no one to call
she extracts the splinter

cg

being grown up
requires some
hand-holding of the self

gjb

two trees grow tall
meeting in-between

ttt

Christmas dinner
marking the boys' growth
on the doorframe

rmb

puppy eyes glint
under the table

gjb

testing my patience
I can't
say . . . no

gg

he puts the ring
back in his jacket

cg

praying
for guidance
moonlight

cl

lost hope
nowhere but up

kv