

as the days shorten

Flecks of sun falling / as we sit / on the fading porch / our legs brushing / warm-glazed skin / knocking
against / softened jeans / in longing / I watch the street lights / dim into / charcoal smeared / on the ground
/ washed away / by the garden hose / in longing / I crack open / half smiles / and you drink them / in /
wiping your mouth / with a rounded palm / in longing / rivers of silver fish / jump out the water / and
thrash on wheatgrass / glassy eyed / in longing / the sun spins / double helixes around / our bruised bodies
/ light refracting off our / chests tanned / backs pressed / heaving away / our last breaths / of summer.