

Teeth by Lilah Jeanne

teeth collected in a jar and old art projects on a wall
movies and bookmarks
pancakes and golden smiles
toy dolls and horses
long drives and long lives
his hand, my waist
“you’re so hot,
I could cook an egg on you”
giggles in quiet rooms and unknown destinations
soft touches, light words,
and dreams left unspoken
don’t look back, not now
slammed doors and yelled curses
lies twisted,
like snakes coiled
like hair wound tightly around fingers
“you are ordinary” whispered into the shells of ears
teeth collected in a jar and wings that fled through cracks in windows
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we thought we had an eternity of long drives
his hand, my waist
what I meant to say was,
“you are extraordinary”