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## MICHELLE BOPP

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### SECRETS

An introspective moment,  
Blanketing a stressful scene –

Listless and vile, the truth waits.  
Impatient, it begs a voice,

to be heard, to ruin, to leave.  
Abandon this settled life -

## ERIKA MCRAE

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### CHINESE TAKEOUT

We didn't understand  
the truth of forever,  
instead we fed each other lies  
over wooden chopsticks,  
believing fortune cookie delusions,  
building a future out of  
cardboard take out boxes.  
Now we cling to dinner menus  
like little paper life rafts,  
all that's missing are  
the cocktail umbrellas  
and the last shreds of our self-respect