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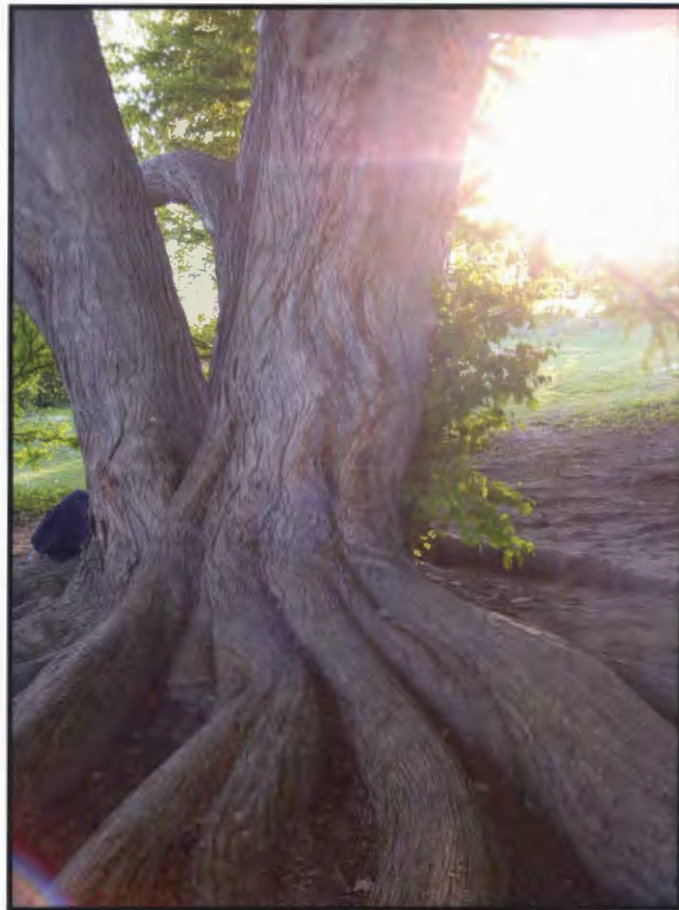
BEYOND

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A deafening silence ungratefully buzzes in my ears:
a burning static leaves a stagnant tingle upon my arms.
Cobalt glassy surfaces-- speckled with stark, stale puffs of matter,
glance up at me with indifferent displays of eternal peace.

Early spring ponders its place--
wondering of cloud borne skies or of ice encrusted waters.
Salmon pink sunsets stretch out their slippery tongues,
to taste the temptingly sweet tasting clumps of god's cotton candy.

How long may I stay before the unforgiving shrug of mortality
rolls me over his shoulder and into the teal middles of
creamy, coffee shadows?



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