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Saving Seeds

Keep the breath small.
Hold the shallow bowl
at an angle.

Puff chaff away
as if coaxing a spark
to flame in tinder

made from loss.
Soft blossoms arriving
after my hands are gone.

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