Color for Color

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I dream in silver and orange.

No rhymes, no companionable spirit,

the landscape

a prism of contrasts,

seldom traveled.

If only you could find your way

those autumn leaves and tinkling bells

would guide us through each dip, swell,

until one becomes the other.

Birds in fields of pumpkin

await our audience,

their atonal melodies drift

like a mist that illuminates

Fish explode upward, like fireworks,

retreating with the sun

Into the glittering depths

Staring across phantasms, my breath

held, as the winged creatures

exhale like trumpet blares,

I wait, listen, still apart.

Morning strikes with its blue and gold, which never stand alone,

Then a sound pulses intense as firelight.

It’s a match striking, one heart picking up the beat of its pair

warm, bright, orange and silver.

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