

## Remembrance of Autumn

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Rain
the color of deep
ocean
throws itself
against my window.
Winter
hisses from the rafters
as the draft dances
mournfully
across the floor.
Wrapping the
blanket
around my back,
fingers flexing
reaching
for fall

I close my eyes for autumn.
For when the sky and breeze loved each other and the leaf became tattooed with the splattered paint of new beginnings before falling into a patchwork of

Crimson

Mustard

Copper

And belonging.

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