



Any Little Difference

Morning coffee seasoned
with birdsong, sources unseen
I ease into dissolved margins
of this rainy morning world
float on windchimes
teased by the breeze
nowhere to go
nothing to do
but watch from my window
solemn growth of sameness.

Yet, what bright-winged prize
flutters bravely across the way
on my neighbor's fence rail?
Larger than blue jay
too streamlined for owl
whiter than white
it nails my curiosity
propels me to rise.

Binoculars reveal
no bird
last season's weathered notice
caught by one corner
flirting over the fence
with each puff of air.
It flaps open —
No Hunting.
I am the one snared.

BEVERLY BREEN
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