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last week's obituary

why now do you speak of the man who threw himself off the bridge near your town

hitching yourself to the cosmic tail of his rippling deliverance into the river like you might be a fisherman or God, maybe

don't you know that if you wait too long you never fall asleep feeling full

CHRISTY LEIGH AGRAWAL

Studying Genocide

the way is the same an absolute for the body	a crack forms everywhere: disrespect it interrupts—
invasion into	hollow space
the voice	falls out trailing
a weak smear:	wet sound
hei	<i>lp</i> no one will know
where we lived,	that we leaked,
that no crack is	a crack, only
in two	dimensions
remember: there's	no reason here
no glue	for this and that's
the only tired	physics of fracture
left.	* *