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for my daughter, Akane

dusk & dawn

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kangetsu ya koishi no sawaru kutsu no soko

winter moon pebbles beneath my shoe

Yosa Buson (1716–84)

A Walk by the Kamo River

watching the gray heron watching the waterfall

slow rain breath of a sleeping child blind earthworms drown in puddles singing

a flock of buds migrates through the meridian April mist tasseling blue hills names I don't know

earth after rain old books never read snake crushed on the road each day smaller blending in

snail scrawl on wet pebbles cockroach scuttles across the sidewalk afraid

where the hermit lived 300 years ago in the bamboo grove still a space cloud floes floating north why not follow just throw self away

sun's free fall arc to the horizon even the next door dog stops barking

a spider peers from the rafters spinning its constellation creaturely world translations from a lost original