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BIRTHMARK

by **Cherise Bacalski**

Winter winks through broken
 glass at trunks of topless
trees grown south—you screech and
 slosh in silence, unaware
my body's aperture's alive
 in the quietest clicks
of your tongue—
 My taste sits hard in your mouth;
your fist, hot, in my hand.