Side Show

A Nijuan Renku led by Patricia J. Machmiller
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the moon joins
a juggler's side show
harvest festival

Wendy C. Bialek

a swirl of moths
orbits the yellow lamplight

Jonathan Alderfer

drifting leaves
pile up at the lock gates
on the old canal

Andrew Shimield

an inuksuk points the way
to the next adventure

Carol Jones

Earthrise
to the tune of Strauss's 'Thus
spake Zarathustra'

Lorin Ford

may I have this dance
for the rest of my life?

John Daleiden

I swing onto
his Vespa
fully committed

Clysta Seney

letting off a stowaway
in the middle of the heat

Laurie Greer

the cool
of the house
at the back of her mind

madeleine Kavanagh

unidentifiable
vibrations

Pamela Garry

the dog's ears
prick up
before the doorbell

Keith Evetts

death
is listening

Barbara Anna Gaiardoni

love bound
in the hereafter
of 1001 nights

Betty Shropshire

gracias mi amor
for melting my frozen heart

Dan Campbell

cold moon
indifferent
as mountains topple

Rob Barkan

in the time machine
we chart a different course

Melissa Dennison

still a blow-in
even after
thirty years

Marion Clarke

the stork brings a baby doll
in Amazon packaging

Tracy Davidson

as soft as
a child's breath the scent
of blossoms

Richard Straw

polite vows to meet again
float on the spring breeze

Harrison Lightwater