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Poems

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CANCER KISSES

An excoriated butterfly kisses my cheek. Pain testifies to the changes I am. Scars punctuate and demarcate transitions that take me.

A dead moth dissolves, specimened old as wallpaper faded two centuries past. Yellow, tan, blanched, I am aged skin, translucent and turned in on myself.

My countenance twists cold, a blue gum tree on the coast, blown rough by adversity. I am textured sandpaper.

My stomach laps my backbone. Many muscles long for the structure a ball and socket bring. Listless, I contemplate energy's memory.

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