

## Meet Me Today by the Water

I will ask you to meet me today by the water.

If you remember the place  
And arrive to find me waiting  
Then I will know that together  
We have defeated time

And we shall speak no more in whispers  
But whistle proudly like the August wind  
Through the scrub grass and aster

Together we will turn to face the same weather  
That beat and blackened the shingles  
Of our childhood homes, and we shall sit  
On these speckled rocks until they are reshaped  
By the green sea that surrounds them

There and then we shall recall a moment  
Framed by present and past, yet at odds  
With neither. A moment when distance  
Ceased to deal in our ruin, and when all  
The world's good spirits conspired in our favor

Meet me today by the water  
To share the wind's song  
And the first blue strands of the newest day  
And we shall become one  
In the grace of this moment.

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