Verse Daily: On Day and Night



Today's poem is by James Arthur

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And as the neighbors' guests retire, coaxing their cars into the snow (we're gazing through the curtain into winter's pale hub), two girls gaze up. They're all going home, like wheels correcting into steering hands, or drawn breath returning to the air, but you can't come back to anywhere—there's no perfect here and there, or now and then—but here we are, again. A silverfish crosses the windowpane. We peer into the street, and up at the stranded moon. White wheel, black field. Black winter, white road. White silence, black wind. White cars, black wires.

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