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# Transitions

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Daddy never called me pretty.  
With a queer eye I would  
glance too long at multicolored brassieres  
Dreaming of a day when I would  
begin to fill out.  
A birthright in the blade-  
He only took me hunting once.  
The forest was empty, and yet  
Doe continue to dance in my dreams.  
My back aches, longing for  
Her support and strength.  
They burn her for freedom,  
but I long for her comfort and  
Embrace.  
Storms rage in silence, puddles that  
Pool between my sneakers, mute and mourning.  
In secret, her song blesses  
My inner woman. I cannot find her  
In the mirror's edge.