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earthrise

after Paul Eluard

pale wasteland white cheek of moon

left, the marbled eye lidded

they have emerged from the far side

Anders gazes shouts for colour film

earth blue like an orange

Elder

My berries are polished earbobs which hang from the lobes of the living. They have been fashioned by time. Water, grit, have tumbled them rhythm wearing away. My berries will adorn the living who mourn, shine like mirrors on lapels, pale throats, fingers Black on white hurling back the light.