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Smog putt-putters
out of exhausted
auto bodies
hob-hobbling on
their last leg.

Rises up slowly,
fogs my vision,
and hides
the storm clouds
in your eyes.

I didn't mean to dirty
your wedding dress mind
with my black coffee soul.
But—I'm a writer.
I can't help but leave
charcoal pencil smudges
on all that I touch.