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## Wildfire

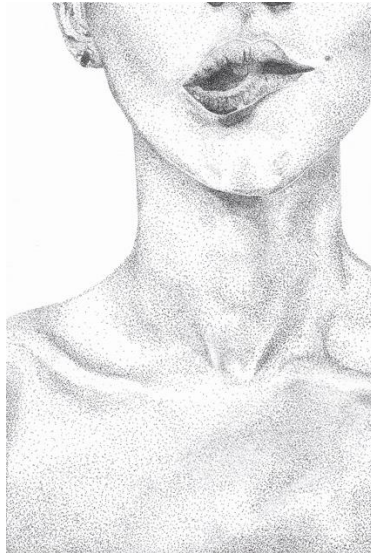
*Sydney Rose Quintana*

Her words settle under my skin like wildfire,  
teasing tired bones and kissing gentle flesh,  
blazing their way through my nerve endings,  
scorching away pleasure and pain  
until nothing but cold remains.

Blood red fire dances along her white noise,  
I cannot hear myself anymore.

Because she—she is no accidental inferno  
tamed by water and prayer  
not her, no—not her.  
she is wildfire incarnate

*and it burns.*



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