

Sunlight Haiku

by Charlie Zender and Bill Collins

Otter and Egrett

Watch Oklahoman cloud, see

Sunlight vanishing

Oklahoman dawn

Shadow of Egrett on sunlight!

Absorption proven

Boulder, Colorado

January, 1998

## Snow Haiku

by Charlie Zender

Pristine snow crystals  
Stained by sooty embers  
Quickly liquify

Irvine, California  
November, 2004

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## Resonance Haiku

by Charlie Zender

Energetic light  
Tunnels into cloud droplets  
Resonates absorbs

Irvine, California  
November, 2004

## QuikSCAT

by Charlie Zender

Breezes, downdrafts, gusts  
Bend Ocean's morning repose  
Reflect microwaves

Irvine, California  
March, 2009

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## Wind Power

by Charlie Zender

Coal-poisoned planet  
Awaits dawn of wind power  
Our air's salvation?

Irvine, California  
March, 2009

### The Jeweler

for Michelle Her words scintillate Sharp, faceted, dangling lures Bewitching blind  
men

Irvine, California  
November, 2010

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### Let-down

Tea Party hoots bray  
Resentment, drown our airwaves.  
Patriotism?

Irvine, California  
November, 2010

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### Martini

for HR86 classmates

Disconsolate, I spilled glacial vodka into a fluted glass,

to its copper brim, one ochre olive for punctuation.  
This cocktail wet my tongue so luxuriously it drowned me.  
An odorless icy well of licorice and napalm.

Irvine, California  
October, 2010