

A Summer Day in Texas

the yellow grass
crickles and crackles
under my bare feet
as I brave the orange heat
of a Texas day

the sidewalk bakes leaves
lost from limbs
too thirsty to hold their stay

the petals of the ivory magnolia
wither to brown dust
as their ripe perfume
permeates the air

and I
in my lavender sundress
that flows angrily
in the hot wind
take a deep breath
of a melting pot day

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