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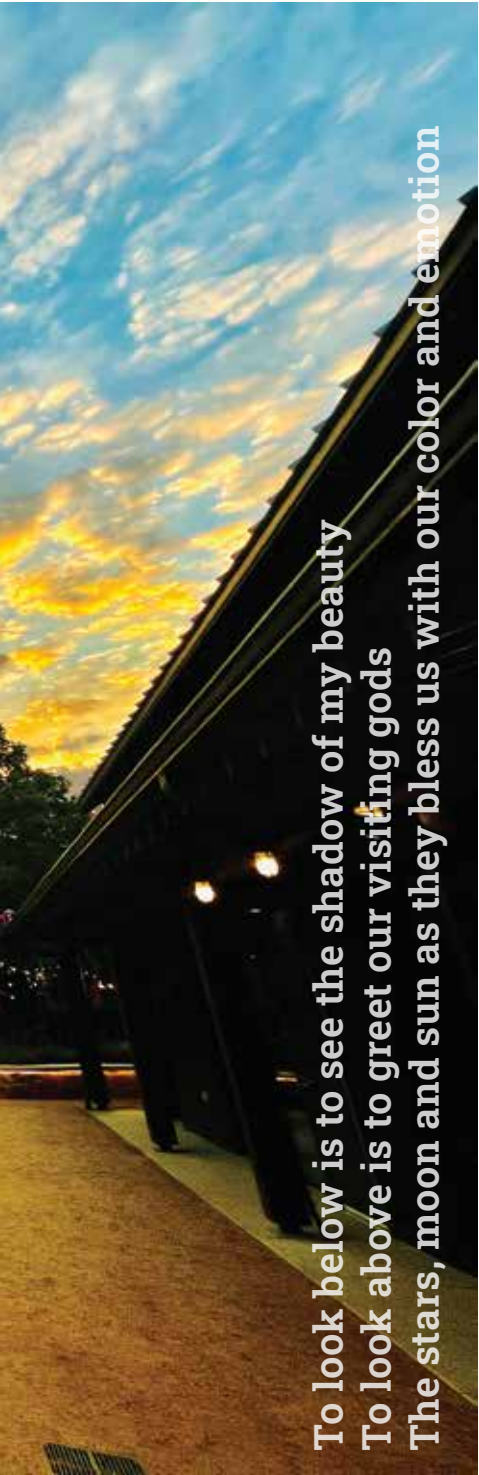
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To look below is to see the shadow of my beauty  
To look above is to greet our visiting gods  
The stars, moon and sun as they bless us with our color and emotion

### **Cloud**

**Mikaela T. Sims**

I have always been here  
Itinerant by nature  
They say let us go wherever the wind takes us,  
Though that is my law  
My consciousness disappears  
A cool rush I open my eyes  
Feeling different yet the same  
Parts of me float until they grow too heavy  
As I hear the voice of my carrier  
My kin flock together or go our separate ways  
We look soft but when cramped our law is pernicious  
To look below is to see the shadow of my beauty  
To look above is to greet our visiting gods  
The stars, moon and sun as they bless us with our color and emotion  
I cannot leave this container  
But maybe  
Someday, I will leave to become more than earth's nebula  
For now, I shall let you bask in my glory as I paint the sky.

### **Golden Hour**

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