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Growling Heat

What I seek to find in you
fills the sky with black doubt.
Flashing floods of fear
kill my memories, keep me still.
Like the thunderstorms of childhood,
I hold you there.
Back in the place when you first came to me,
promising everything.

A hungry wasp,
I dodge into your path,
ready,
waiting,
growling heat.
Look up,
see me.

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