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there are nine of us around the table
at perkins.
four of us smoke
five of us breathe
all of us inhale,
sucking in ozone and wonderland,
immature and wishing for something better.
living in smoking suburbia
and cleaning my teeth with mint flavored toothpicks,
i see no rabbit holes to get out of here.
but pushed away from the table,
staring at someone new
in the mirror
in the bathroom
at perkins,
i feel a jolt
and see escape through these beige tiles.
i see myself as a room.
i see myself as a womb.
i see myself as a haven.