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## Bura-Bari Nwilo: “I Buried Him Here”

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I buried him here  
beneath this ocean sand  
is where I dug a hole and buried him.

When I met him in December,  
he had promised me the world,  
that his friendship would stand  
so tall by my side, like his legs on my bed.

In January he fled  
and the heart he awoken split and flipped  
and the joy he created dried, and cracked  
and the words he spoke wore thorns for thongs.

I buried him here,  
beneath this washed sand.  
I counted each grain I placed in his grave,  
one for each second I drowned believing him.

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