## **Broken Birds (Rest In Pieces)**

## **Car Seat Headrest**

Lying on the floor Shattered ceramics There was so much of you to pick up

Halloween plans Smashed by September There were so many pieces to pick up on

On the floor You were so connected To the man sleeping under the table On the other side of the continent When you lost your content

A stillborn beauty
Is ghosting around in my head
Your busted brains
I would tenderly tuck into bed

Little dishcloth in a tumbling dryer Little washcloth in a tumbling dryer

Maybe your parents gave you a Lego set in middle school
Maybe the kids in class smashed it to pieces
Maybe they poured glue on your pet tarantulas
Maybe they got stuck to each other and tore themselves apart

I want my girls to save me
Want them to burst in when the dagger's at my neck
I want my love to redeem me, let these killers finally see me
I feel it growing in me at the brink of death

Summon Doraemon
Protector of innocents
If you let them see you naked
You can get a ride home

(Danae receiving Jupiter in a shower of sulphuric acid)

A thief
(some young god)
Stole the ending to this book
(tore the canvas into shreds)
And left us gibberish
(bleeding paint)
Ancient Greek letters
(call you saint for a reason)
Just another crossed out character

I'll scatter like birds
I'll go everywhere