

Coloring

Spilling over edges
of stark white pages
images of foxes and leaves
awaken
with waxy
sepia, mahogany, tumbleweed
hues.

The warmth of a lapis lazuli mug fits
perfectly
inside my palms, hiding lines . . .
evidence of
adventure and wisdom.

Peaks of fluffy whip cream . . .
evocative
of the Sangre De Cristo
Mountains after a
snowfall.

I gently
scribble my morning
away.

—Sheree K. Nielsen

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