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Abstract

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A female deer is generally alone through
most of the year.

Take a needle and thread through
dough, some soil, a body of water.

It's the horror of discovering who/what
you are really in love with. Performer

= Introvert = Peril / I pray
for health, but fantasize about amnesia.

I tell acquaintances, dates
anytime from the other side

of the door.

Meg Johnson is the author of the full length poetry collection Inappropriate Sleepover (The National Poetry Review Press, 2014), which was recently a NewPages Editor's Pick. Her poems have appeared in Hobart, Nashville Review, The Puritan, Sugar House Review, Verse Daily, and others. Meg started dancing at a young age and worked professionally in the performing arts for many years. She is the editor of Dressing Room Poetry Journal and recently received her MFA in creative writing from the NEOMFA Program. Meg is currently a lecturer at Iowa State University.

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