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Daisy is gardensweet spice
and the boy is a curly weeping willow.
She is a summer changeling: woman, child,
sometimes a tulip.

Winter is the boy’s.
All snowy overhangs and angels, he melts.
Daisy wears springtime like a dress.
The boy is autumn bluejeans.

He is longing and soft;
She is lost and found.
Daisy pedals through the boy like a tricycle;
he falls to the ground