

Bee Watching

1.

I can't remember the last time
I stopped to watch a bee step
from blossom to blossom,

stand here entranced
by this four-cornered dance
(insect, color, pollen, nectar)

take some time to contemplate
all of the factors
that had to evolve
 synchronicitously
for even this tiny slice
of an ecosystem to emerge.

2.

The bee, however,
simply harvests,
then returns to her nest.

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